

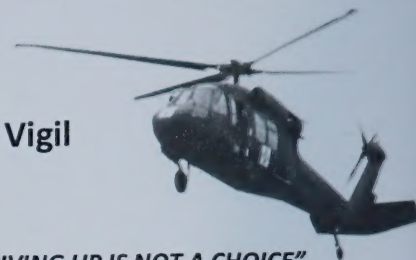
# Meredith Town Report 2013

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Featured on the front cover is the Color Guard honoring the...

## 20th NH Freedom Ride and the 25th Northeast POW/MIA Network Vigil



*"GIVING UP IS NOT A CHOICE"*

The Northeast POW/MIA Network vigil in Meredith gained nationwide attention some 25 years ago when a small group of veterans began holding weekly Thursday night vigils to bring to light the nation's lack of effort to account for all service men and women missing from not just Vietnam, but of past Wars and hope for the future. Through times of basking heat, frigid rain storms and mid-winter snows, this small group of people held vigils to draw people's attention to the fact that members of our armed forces were unaccounted for and forgotten. The vigil is to honor those forgotten by our government.

For the past 20 years bikers attending Laconia Motorcycle Week have joined forces on Thursday afternoons and made history in the Northeast. Over the past several years, over twenty thousand motorcyclists have ridden their motorcycles in the Northeast POW/MIA Network® Freedom Ride to "The ROCK" in Hesky Park in Meredith. This Rock is 'The States Original POW/MIA Memorial' where it's carved in stone, **"Let Us Not Forget"**. For those who have yet to participate in the Freedom Ride, the real focus of the ride is to bring light to an issue that affects hundreds of Americans and their families; those men and women missing in action or held prisoner during times of war and/or conflict.

We are a completely volunteer organization, veterans and non-veterans, using awareness, communication, education, legislation, and compassion to assuage the pain associated with one of the most devastating outcomes of service to one's Country. As we honor POW/MIAs, returned and still waiting to come home, we aggressively pursue means to return the missing and protect those serving.

There are many causes one can involve themselves in and all are worthy. The POW/MIA issue is one that encompasses all others because if "One American is not worth the effort then we as Americans have lost".

The POW/MIA vigil continues every Thursday at 7 pm and for more information please visit our website at: [www.northeastpovmianetwork.org](http://www.northeastpovmianetwork.org).

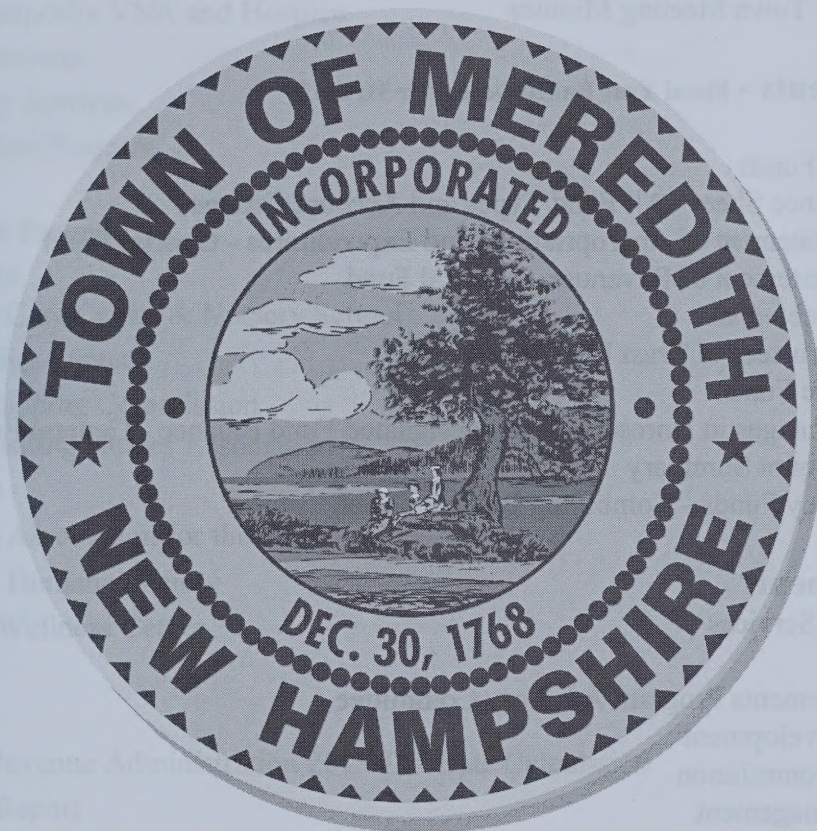


Today as this is written we have an American soldier being held captive/POW in Afghanistan, **Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl**, captured June 2009, as we continue to say:

"If he was your son, would you want others to know and care"?

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The Town of  
**Meredith**  
New Hampshire



2013

# Annual Report

*For the Fiscal Year Ended December, 31 2013*

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## *What is this Town Report all about?*

This Annual Town Report contains...

Information gathered from Town Departments, Supported Outside Agencies and gives results of the 2013 Town Meeting. You can view the Vital Statistics, Town Financial Statements, Tax Rate, Ten Year Tax Rate Comparison and a Summary of Town Owned Property. Following in the yellow section is our current Budget and Warrant Articles.

### Town Elections (Please Vote)

Tuesday, March 11, 2014  
Location: Community Center  
1 Circle Drive  
Time: 7am to 7pm

Please bring this book to Town Meeting on...

Wednesday, March 12, 2014  
Location: Inter-Lakes High School  
1 Laker Lane  
Time: 7pm

### Recognition

The Town Manager, Board of Selectman, Department Heads and Outside Agencies are responsible for the written reports.

The Financial Statements are prepared by:

Brenda L. Vittner, Administrative Services Director  
Carrie Compton, Town Accountant  
Vikki Fogg, Deputy Tax Collector

The layout, graphs and preparation of the Annual Report are completed by:

Linda Labraney, Finance Officer

*Thank you to all who contributed to this report.*

## Meetings of Town Boards, Committees & Commissions

### Board of Selectmen

Community Center Workshop, 4:15pm - 5:00pm, Meeting 5:30pm, 1st and 3rd Monday of the Month

### Conservation Commission

Community Center, 7:00pm, 1st (public meeting) and 3rd (work session) Thursday of the Month

### Library Trustees

Meredith Public Library, 6:00pm, 2nd Tuesday of the Month

### Planning Board

Community Center, 7:00pm, 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the Month

### Waukegan Watershed Advisory Committee

Town Hall Annex, 8:00am, 1st Wednesday of the Month

### Zoning Board of Adjustment

Community Center, 7:00pm, 2nd Thursday of the Month

## Contact Information on the Area Resources

### Emergency and Health Information

Community Action Program.....279-4096  
Emergency Management Director.....279-4561  
Lakes Region General Hospital.....524-3211  
Meredith Public Health Nursing.....279-6611  
Hanover Poison Information Center.....1-800-562-8236

### Legal Services

Belknap County Registry of Deeds.....527-5420  
Belknap County Superior Court.....524-3570  
Laconia District Court.....524-4128  
New Hampshire Legal Assistance.....1-800-634-8989

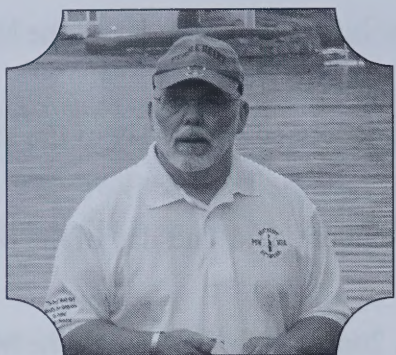
### County and State Police

Belknap County Sheriff Department.....524-3830  
State Police - Tamworth.....323-8112  
State Police - Concord.....1-800-852-3411

### Permits to Kindle Fires

Main Fire Station - Ken Jones.....279-6061  
Meredith Center Store - Barry Ladd.....279-4315  
Town Hall - Vikki Fogg & Kerri Parker.....279-4538  
Y-Landing Marina - David Hamblet.....279-9916 or 279-5050

## Town Report Dedication



*Robert "Bob" Jones*

This year's Town Report is Dedicated to: *Robert "Bob" Jones*

Robert Jones was a U.S. Navy corpsman from 1964-1968 and served as medical personnel for the Marine Corps during the Vietnam War from 1966-1967. While tending to wounded Marines in Vietnam, Jones came under fire on battlefields and twice was wounded. He was awarded a Bronze Star with a "V" for valor for his heroic actions.

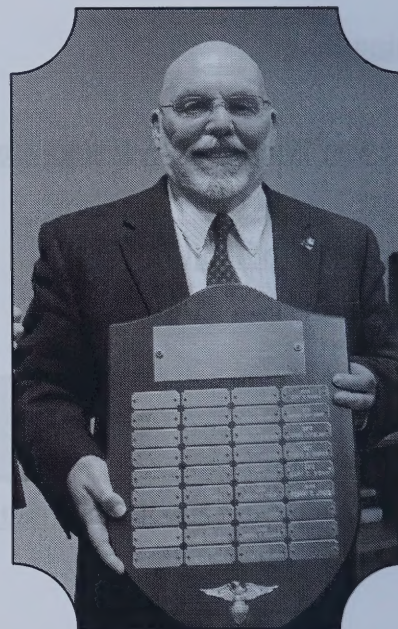
Bob has served the POW/MIA cause for the last 40 years. His achievements include initiating legislation to name the bridge into Meredith the POW/MIA Freedom Ride Bridge and establishing weekly Thursday night POW/MIA vigils at Hesky Park in Meredith to recognize these service men and women and raise public awareness to their plight.

He also established the Vet-Link program at Lakes Region General Hospital in Laconia. The program assists veterans and their families in accessing services. His efforts have earned him recognition from the New Hampshire Senate and Gov. Maggie Hassan.

Robert C. Jones of Meredith became the 32nd recipient of the Maurice L. McQuillen Award for his outstanding work in service to fellow New Hampshire veterans, especially his efforts to help military men and women who are prisoners of war or missing in action.

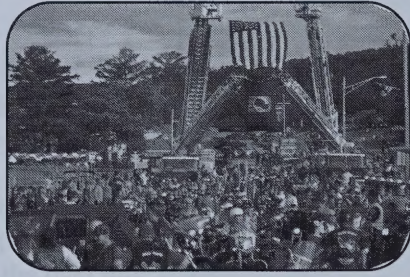
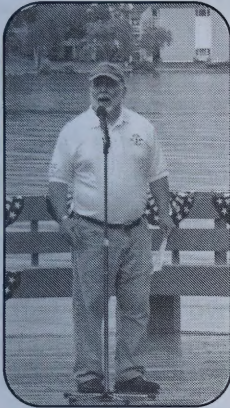
The award is named after Maurice L. McQuillen, who was the first editor of the New Hampshire Union Leader Veterans Page and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. It has been given out annually since McQuillen's death in 1981.

Bob, thank you for all you do and your dedicated service to our country - "Semper Fi"

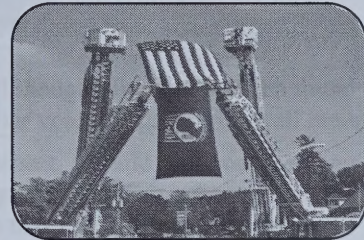
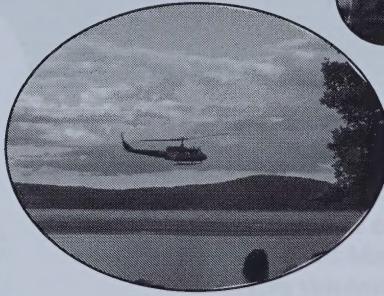
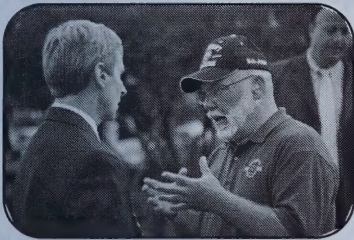


*Bob received the  
Maurice L. McQuillen  
Award in 2013*

## Town Report Dedication

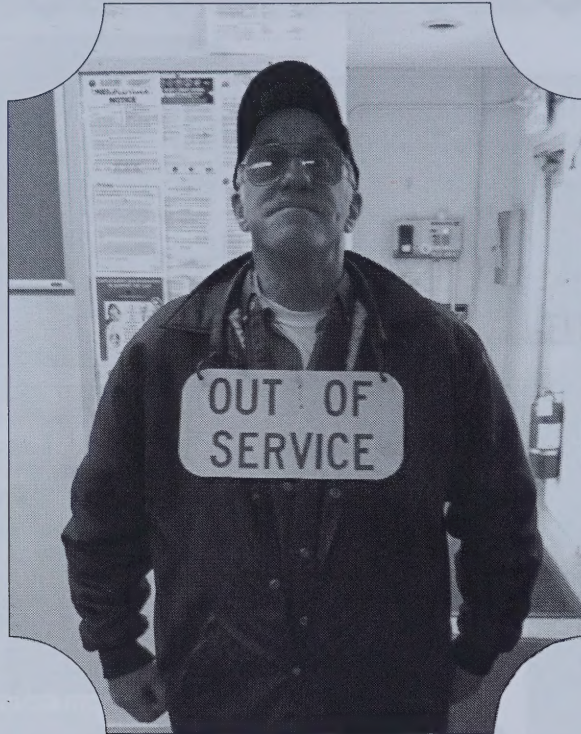


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## *Dedicated Service*

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David "Skip" Ambrose

Mr. Ambrose came to work for the Town of Meredith in 2001. He had previously worked as a cross country trucker. Skip joined the Highway Division and was the plow truck driver for over 12 year's on the Meredith Neck route.

David "Skip" Ambrose retired from the Highway Division in 2013. He now divides his time between Meredith, NH and Florida.

Skip loves race cars and race tracks. A former member of the ABC Racing Team in Meredith, he and his friends built and raced dirt track cars. He was a "frequent flyer" at the races at Loudon and now looks forward to attending the races in Florida.

Thank you Skip for your dedicated service to the Town of Meredith by being on call and ready to work during inclement weather and emergency call outs.

Now that you are "Out of Service" - Enjoy your well deserved retirement!

# Dedicated Service - SSG Keith "Matt" Maupin Tribute

Captured in Iraq 9 April 2004, POW/KIC (Killed in Captivity) Known Only To God

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FORGOTTEN

A note from Keith Maupin ~ I don't know if anyone will get this or not but, we wanted to tell all those in NH that the support you showed for Matt and us was truly vital in getting Matt home.

I told the Army many many times that there are more people and vets across the United States and around the world that are watching how you handle Matt's case. I told them that if I would not be here tomorrow there are millions that would take up the reins and keep on them like ugly on an ape until they brought Matt and the others home. My mission in life was to get Matt home and with your and people like Bob Jones's words kept me focused on that mission. It is now complete and we had taken up another mission. That mission was to get Jimenez and Fouty home. I believe the work that we all did over the past four years gave them the way to complete that mission as well. From the bottom of our hearts, Thank you for the continued support and prayers for Matt and us. Prayers do work and I believe Matt is proof of that.

Till they all come home, Keith Maupin



In May of 2005, a poem written about,  
then MIA/POW Matt Maupin

## Remember My Face

It's been so long now I can't help but feel,  
my life is all over, is this all really real;

I've been a prisoner for such a long time,  
no one left behind, was that just a line;

They beat and threaten my life with a shive,  
name, rank, and serial number, that's all I give;

Does anyone even remember my name,  
or am I a soldier and prisoner of little fame;

How much longer will I be held in this place,  
my name is Matt, do you remember my face;

I'm an American soldier who willingly served,  
I can't help but thinking this is so undeserved;

Have I been abandoned in this horrible place,  
will I die and disappear without leaving a trace;

What about my buddies, who fought at my side,  
are they still fighting, has the war turned the tide;

Will they come for me and free me from this fate,  
or will I die in this place a victim of fanatical hate;

The country I love and served with such pride,  
has it turned its back on me now, has it lied;

Please don't leave me behind, it would be a disgrace,  
my name is Matt Maupin, please, remember my face?

~ by devildog6771

Poem written after the word of Matt Maupin's recovery  
was announced March 30, 2008.

## Homeward Bound at Last

I've spent nearly four years in this barren place,  
do people back home still remember my face?  
How is my family doing back home?  
Have they been left to grieve all alone?  
So many times I thought, finally I've been found,  
as I heard familiar voices approach from all around!

With rescue eminent, I would shout out my name,  
I am Matt Maupin, do you remember my name!  
Have you come to rescue me true to your word,  
Have my cries for help finally been heard?  
You kept the promise, "no man left behind."  
The faith I clung to wasn't just blind!

Then as the voices slowly faded away,  
I knew that rescue wouldn't come this day!

Gradually each time as hope began to fade,  
was the command to end search finally made!

Wait, again, I think I hear that familiar sound,  
American soldiers' foot steps and voices all around,  
The sand and dirt around me begins to move away,  
Yet I am afraid to believe I am found on this day!

Thank you God for looking over me I begin to cry,  
as I feel myself lifted and I look toward the sky.

I reflect on my journey these last four years past,  
and offer prayer to God

I'm "Homeward bound at last!"

~ by devildog6771

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[www.northeastpowmianetwork.org](http://www.northeastpowmianetwork.org)



# *Independent Auditor's Report*



PLODZIK & SANDERSON

*Professional Association/Accountants & Auditors*

193 North Main Street • Concord • New Hampshire • 03301-5063 • 603-225-6996 • FAX 603-224-1380

## *INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT*

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager  
Town of Meredith  
Meredith, New Hampshire

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Meredith as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

## *Independent Auditor's Report*

Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

### Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Meredith as of December 31, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position for the year ended, and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Emphasis of Matter - Management's Discussion and Analysis

Management has omitted a Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for the placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

### Emphasis of Matter - Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Meredith's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

December 19, 2013

*Plodzik & Sanderson*  
*Professional Association*

# *Town Officials*

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## Board of Selectmen

Carla J. Horne, Vice Chair, 2015  
Peter F. Brothers, 2015

Nathan J. Torr, 2016, Chairman

Herbert R. Vadney, 2014  
Louis Kahn, 2016

## Elected Officials

Stephen Nedeau, Moderator, 2014

Kerri A. Parker, CTCTC, Town Clerk, 2014

Mark Billings, Treasurer, 2014

## Town Department Officials

Town Manager & Tax Collector  
Administrative Services Director  
Community Development Director  
Town Planner  
Code Enforcement Officer  
Public Works Director  
Assistant Public Works Director  
Water & Sewer Superintendent  
Assessor  
Parks & Recreation Director  
Library Director  
Deputy Tax Collector  
Deputy Town Clerk

Phillip L. Warren, Jr.  
Brenda L. Vittner, MBA  
John C. Edgar, AICP  
Angela LaBrecque  
William M. Edney  
Michael Faller  
Allan Bolduc  
Daniel Leonard  
James Commerford, CNHA  
Vint M. Choiniere, CPRP  
Erin Apostolos  
Valerie "Vikki" Fogg  
Donna Turner

## Police Officials

Kevin Morrow, Chief

Keith True, Lieutenant

## Fire Officials

Tom Joslin, Deputy Chief

Ken Jones, Chief & Forest Fire Warden

Andre Kloetz, Deputy Chief

## Emergency Management

Kevin Morrow, Director

Peter G. Russell, Assistant Director

## Trustee of Trust Funds

Barbara Clark, Chairperson, 2015

Louis Kahn, 2014

Justin Van Etten, 2013

## Supervisors of the Checklist

Nancy Jewell, 2014

Lucienne M. Boulanger, Chair, 2016

Brenda L. Vittner, 2015

## Capital Improvements (CIP) Advisory Committee

Mark Billings, ILSB & Vice Chair  
Jack Carty  
Nate Torr, BOS Representative

Edward Touhey, Chairman  
Richard Gerken, Planning Board Rep.

Barbara Clark  
Jeannie Forrester  
Dave Thorpe

Alternate:

Carla Horne, Selectmen's Representative

# *Town Officials*

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## Library Trustees

Duncan McNeish, Treasurer, 2015  
Pam Coburn, 2014  
Paul Eldridge, 2015

Rhetta Colon, Chair, 2015

Ann Butler, Secretary, 2015  
Colleen Nolan, 2014  
Mary Richardson, 2016

## Planning Board

Richard Gerken, 2015  
Ann Butler, 2015  
Roger Sorell, 2014

Bill Bayard, Chairman, 2016  
  
Alternate:  
John W. Dever, III, 2016

Liz Lapham, 2016  
Edward Touhey, 2016  
Peter Brothers, Selectmen's Rep.

## Zoning Board of Adjustment

Michael Pelczar, 2016  
Warren Clark, 2016

John "Jack" Dever Jr., Chairman, 2015  
  
Alternates: Ralph Carrasco, 2016

Bruce Reichlen, 2015  
David Thorpe, 2015

## Conservation Commission

John Sherman, Vice Chair, 2014  
Don MacFarlane, 2014  
Ralph Pisapia, Treasurer, 2015

Mark Billings, Chairman, 2015

Paula Wanzer, Secretary, 2016  
Peter Miller, 2016  
Bob Davis, 2015

Alternates:

Bob LeCount, 2015  
Jacquie Colburn, 2015

Mary Kahn, 2014

Tony Sabutis, 2016  
Paul Dillon, 2015

## Waukegan Watershed Advisory Committee

Bob Vogler  
Duncan, McNeish  
Tim Whiting

Randy Eifert, Chairman  
Bill Corr

Stan Wallerstein  
John Hodsdon  
Carla Horne, Selectmen's Rep.

## Lakes Region Planning Commission

Bill Bayard, 2015

Herbert R. Vadney, 2015

## Energy Committee

Ken Colburn, Chairman  
Chris Wald, ILSD Representative  
Brian Davis

Reed Leberman  
  
Lou Kahn-Selectmen's Representative

Bill Bayard  
Malik Haig  
Mark Billings

## Village Pathways Committee

Sandy Sabutis  
Andrea Bourn  
Lissa Goodby

Liz Lapham, Chairman  
  
Ann Schultz

Carol Gerken  
Tammy Levesque  
Chris Schwidder

## *Executive Summary*

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### **Report from the Town Manager**

2013 began with a budget process which entailed working with Department Heads and the Board of Selectmen to develop a budget that attempted to retain current service levels, which is a reduction in service delivery from the prior years, due to prior budgets that did not increase the total amount raised by taxation. The budget adopted by Town Meeting was proposed to increase the total amount raised by taxation by a conservative amount, and apply fund balance to facilitate capital purchases.



Phil Warren  
Town Manager

Consistent with the goal set by the Selectmen, when the final tax rate was set it did include a conservative increase in the amount raised by taxation above the 2008 level, allowing for an adequate fund balance to be retained and maintaining services. This goal was possible through the cooperation and assistance of both department heads and employees. Both this office and the Select Board recognize that, in coming years, significant action should continue relative to funding for capital improvements, to ensure the long term sustainability of capital assets.

All departments continue to provide a level service that the residents should continue to be proud of – while there have been reductions in staff, programs and services, the majority of these reductions do not result in a “visible” reduction in service – town staff is working harder to provide the level of service that residents have come to expect, and should be applauded for it.

As this report is written, I have served the Town of Meredith for approximately four years. I have found that there are many residents, employees and elected officials that care deeply for the continued success of the town, and their actions demonstrate their commitment – from actively serving on committees, participating in local events and participating in the political process, making Meredith the special community that it is.

Respectfully submitted,  
Phillip L. Warren, Jr.  
Town Manager

### **Report from the Board of Selectmen**

#### Revenues Raised by Taxation

Your board has ended another year of fiscal constraints while trying to maintain adequate levels of service without drastically increasing the amount of money to be raised by taxation. Some of this was accomplished with the 2013 budget by taking \$1.45 million dollars from the fund balance. Seven hundred fifty thousand of this was earmarked for projects that had been deferred over the past five years; while the remainder was partially used to support services and equipment purchases. The same procedure will be used this coming year.

In 2013, the town updated assessments; as a result of this update the value of many properties in town dropped and the effect of the change in assessments increased the amount to be raised by taxes. The tax rate rose from \$12.62 to \$14.41 per thousand of valuation. The result of the reduction in assessment and the increase of the tax rate meant various changes to all properties.

# Report from the Board of Selectmen continued...

### Committees and Programs

The Water Committee was formally retired this year after spending countless hours over a five year period advising on a wide range of operational, planning, and policy issues. The Board expresses its gratitude to all the members for their time, expertise, and volunteerism in this project.

Two existing committees; the Greater Meredith Program and the Village Pathway Committee presented proposals to continue projects which have been ongoing. The Greater Meredith Program proposed a three year tree planting program to compliment the initial project started in 2008; while the Village Pathway Committee presented a three part project to extend the existing pathways. Both projects were given initial approval with updates to be given to the board as the projects proceed.

Two new committees were formed this year; the Town's 250th Year Celebration Committee and the Route 3/25 Committee. The former of these two is in the very early stages of organizing for the 2018 celebration (Sestercentennial). The Route 3/25 Advisory Committee is being organized to revisit the possible changes in the traffic flow at "the lights" and the beginning of Pleasant Street. The original Route 3/25 Committee after years of preliminary studies, disbanded due to inadequate funding for the project. Presently, the Department of Transportation stated that funding will be available.

### E-911

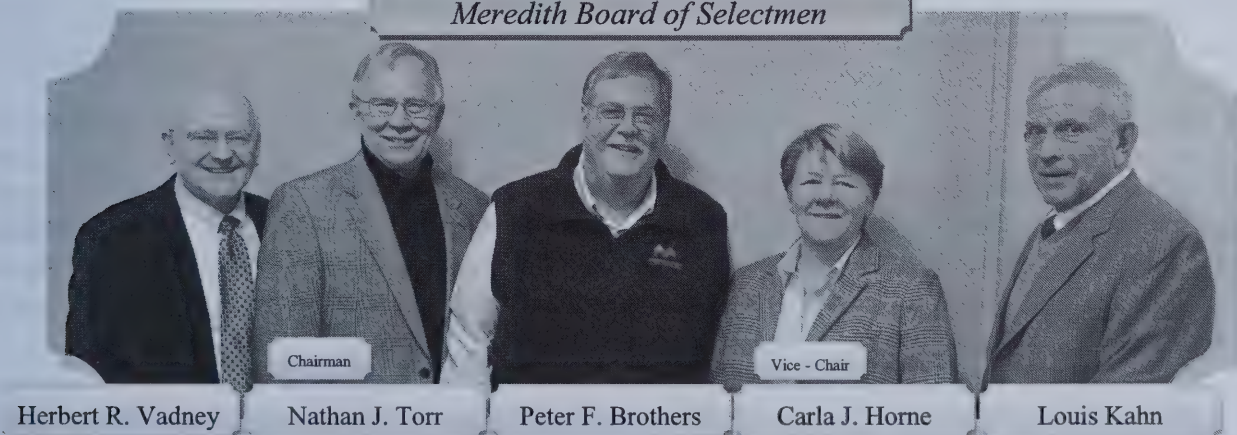
A presentation of Enhanced 911 mapping was given by the NHDOS Division of Emergency Services and Communication. The E911 mapping would give a detailed emergency map for all addressable structures, entrances to public buildings, and landmarks such as fire hydrants. The primary use of this mapping would be for emergency responders to arrive at the correct address in the least amount of time. Another important use for this mapping would allow emergency notification to residences of a certain area of an impending disaster. The project will take about eighteen months to be completed with the final approval coming with acceptance by the Board.

### Future Considerations

- ◆Public Works Facility
- ◆Resurfacing of Main Street (with Water and Sewer Considerations)
- ◆Waterfront Infrastructure

The Board would like to thank the Town Manager, department heads, town employees and all the volunteers on various boards and committees for making Meredith a vibrant community.

*Meredith Board of Selectmen*



## *Executive Summary*

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### 2013 Meredith Town Warrant State of New Hampshire

#### TO THE INHABITANTS OF MEREDITH QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Meredith Community Center, 1 Circle Drive, in said Town on the second Tuesday of March next March 12, 2013, from 7:00am until 7:00pm for the casting of ballots; and at 7:00pm Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at the Inter-Lakes Junior/Senior High School Gymnasium, 1 Laker Lane, in said Town to act on Articles 5 through 13

#### BALLOT ARTICLES TO BE VOTED ON:

##### **ARTICLE 1**

To bring your ballots for:

TOWN		INTER-LAKES SCHOOL DISTRICT	
Selectman Two(2) for Three(3) Years		Moderator One(1) for One(1) year	
Jane Greemore	270	Lee Quimby	633
Louis Kahn	440		
Nathan Torr	588		
Trustee of the Trust Funds One(1) for Three(3) years		School Board-Meredith One(1) for Three(3) years	
Justin Van Etten	610	Christopher Mega	283
		Mark Billings	439
Library Trustee One(1) for One(1) year			
Pamela Coburn	616		
Library Trustee One(1) for Three(3)		School Board-Center Harbor One(1) for Three(3) years	
Mary Richardson	620	Sally A. Whalen	525

##### **ARTICLE 2**

Are you in favor of un-designating the Hawkins Brook wetland complex as a "Prime Wetland" designation as recommended in the Natural Resources Inventory - Phase II of the Town of Meredith, Van de Poll, 2009 and as recommended by the Meredith Conservation Commission and the Meredith Planning Board?

Yes 530      No 164

## *Executive Summary*

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### **ARTICLE 3**

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:

Amend Article V, Section D-9 Water Resources Conservation Overlay District, to (1) incorporate updated mapping of Prime Wetlands and Designated Wetlands, (2) decrease the number of Designated Wetlands based on the application of updated criteria, (3) add one Designated Brook and (4) make various non-substantive housekeeping edits that do not affect how wetlands are currently regulated?

Yes 514      No 160

### **ARTICLE 4**

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:

Amend Article V, Section D-7 by adding a new section C to provide that if a property in the Central Business District is served by town water and sewer prior to its application to the planning board, that the planning board may allow, by conditional use permit and as part of site plan review, one additional residential unit on the property as long as there is adequate onsite parking.

Yes 521      No 166

2013 Town Meeting Deliberative Session  
Wednesday March 13, 2013  
Inter-Lakes Junior/Senior High School Gymnasium

Town Moderator  
Board of Selectmen

Stephen Nedeau  
Miller C. Lovett, Chairman  
Nathan J. Torr, Vice-Chairman  
Peter F. Brothers, Selectperson  
Herbert R. Vadney, Selectperson  
Carla J. Horne, Selectperson  
Phillip L. Warren  
Laura Spector-Morgan

Town Manager  
Town Counsel

Moderator Nedeau opened the meeting at 7:00pm by asking Jack Dever to lead the pledge of allegiance. Moderator Nedeau read the results from Tuesday's election. Moderator Nedeau asked the Community if they would vote to permit the Town Counsel to speak if necessary, which was approved.

## *Executive Summary*

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### 2013 Town Meeting Deliberative Session

#### **ARTICLE 5**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Million, Five Thousand Four Dollars (\$13,005,004) for the necessary operational expenses of the Town for the ensuing year's budget. This amount does not include all of the amounts raised and appropriated in subsequent warrant articles.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Miller Lovett moved to approve Article 5 as proposed, seconded by Nathan Torr.

With a show of voter cards, Article 5 passed.

#### **ARTICLE 6**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to improve various town roads that are eligible for 2 to 1 matching funds from the State Aid Reconstruction Program, contingent upon the receipt of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) of that amount from the State, with the balance of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be raised by taxation.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Nate Torr moved to approve Article 6 as proposed, seconded by Peter Brothers.

With a show of voter cards, Article 6 passed.

#### **ARTICLE 7**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$275,000) to be added to the DPW Equipment Replacement Fund previously established. The Selectmen are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Peter Brothers moved to approve Article 7 as proposed, seconded by Herbert Vadney.

Chuck Lowth asked if this amount is in addition to the Total amount that was just approved. Mr. Brothers explained that the additional articles if approved will be added on to the total operating budget.

With a show of voter cards, Article 7 passed.

## *Executive Summary*

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### 2013 Town Meeting Deliberative Session

#### **ARTICLE 8**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand (\$200,000) to be added to the Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Expendable Trust previously established. The Selectmen are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Herb Vadney moved to approve Article 8 as proposed, seconded by Carla Horne.

With a show of voter cards, Article 8 passed.

#### **ARTICLE 9**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty dollars (\$37,660) for the public access fees and equipment replacement expenses and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of the amount from the Cable Franchise Fee Special Revenue Fund.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Carla Horne moved to approve Article 9 as proposed seconded by Miller Lovett.

With a show of voter cards Article 9 passed.

#### **ARTICLE 10**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Employee Benefits Expendable Trust Fund previously established. The Selectmen are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Miller Lovett moved to approve Article 9 as proposed seconded by Nate Torr.

With a show of voter cards Article 10 passed.

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### 2013 Town Meeting Deliberative Session

#### **ARTICLE 11**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Solid Waste Trailer Expendable Trust Fund previously established. The Selectman are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Nate Torr moved to approve Article 11 as proposed, seconded by Herb Vadney.

Chuck Lowth asked what happens to the old trailers. The response by the Town Manager was that they get traded in or put out to the highest bidder which last time brought in approximately between \$10,000 to \$15,000 dollars.

With a show of Voter Cards, Article 11 passed.

#### **ARTICLE 12**

The Town of Meredith shall appoint a Committee to plan for the 250th Birthday Celebration in 2018 and adopt a Voluntary Celebration Fee of \$2.50 (Two Dollars and Fifty Cents) to be paid by every resident and visitor to and in the Town of Meredith. Said funds to be used solely for the Celebration and Event in 2018.

(Petitioned by 25 or more Registered Voters)

James Hughes as petitioner moved to bring the Article forward, seconded by Frank Michel.

The Town of Meredith shall appoint a Committee to plan for the 250th Birthday Celebration in 2018, Seconded by Herb Vadney.

With a show of Voter Cards, the amended Article 12 passed.

#### **ARTICLE 13**

The New Hampshire Electric Cooperative is mandating new wireless electric "Smart Meters" installed on all member residences in their district.

Smart Meters and their electromagnetic fields increase the radiations levels in and around our homes and environments. A large body of scientific evidence indicates that this type of radiation disrupts human health and development. It also impacts plant life and animals.

## *Executive Summary*

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### 2013 Town Meeting Deliberative Session CONTINUED...

The use of wireless meters on homes is an untested use of wireless technology. The meters have not been tested, and therefore are not UL certified, and unsafe. Other problems that are of concern include higher electrical cost based on measured peak time use, security, privacy, and reliability issued potentially leading to blackouts.

In light of the above health and safety issues, we are requesting a choice as to the type of meter installed on our homes: the wireless smart meter or a hard-wired analog/digital meter within a NHEC opt out program.

(Petitioned by 25 or more Registered Voters)

The Moderator noted that the petitioner was not able to attend the meeting and asked that the article be withdrawn. The Town Counsel addressed the community explaining that the article can only be withdrawn if all the petitioners that signed the withdrawal. The meeting can vote to take no action on it, vote to lay it on the table, or can vote to move it to have it discussed. This article is advisory in nature only and requires no action on the part of the Town.

Robert Flanders moved to table the article as proposed, seconded by Richard Gerken.

With a show of voter cards Article 13 was tabled.

Nate Torr addressed the meeting with a certificate of Appreciation for Miller Lovett and asked for a round of applause. The Board presented Miller with a Sun Dial. Miller then addressed the body with his sincere appreciation of his time with the Board.

Frank Michel wished Miller a Happy 90th Birthday on the 18th of March, 2013.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06pm seconded by Nate Torr, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerri A. Parker, CTCTC  
Town Clerk, Meredith, NH



### **Administrative Services**

Brenda L. Vittner, MBA, Director

Administrative Services provides the following services:

#### Administrative:

- Reception
- General Assistance
- Purchasing Functions; RFP's, Bids, Purchase Orders
- Capital Asset Inventory and Maintenance
- General Inventory Maintenance
- Annual Budget Preparation; Town Warrant and Documents

#### Finance:

- Tax Collection and Billing
- Payroll, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable
- Utility Billing and Account Maintenance
- General Ledger Maintenance
- Compilation of Town Report Financials
- Production of Annual Town Report

#### Technical Functions:

- Network Administration/Help Desk
- Communication Systems Maintenance
- Website Management

#### **Finance**

Carrie Compton, CPP, Town Accountant

Linda Labraney, ABA, Finance Officer

Eric Ferland, MCSE, Information Technology

Administrative Services is a support department to the Town Manager, department heads, employees, volunteers and taxpayers. This small group of dedicated employees strongly considers quality customer service as one of the most important aspects of the daily work environment. The department's core values are respect, consideration and understanding for taxpayers, employees and visitors to the Town of Meredith. Each year, staff members update certifications, investigates educational opportunities to enhance the knowledge base and networking opportunities with other municipalities and State agencies.

This year, the department implemented the on-line use of debit and credit cards for the payment of property taxes, vehicle registrations, and water/sewer bills. This third party feature can be accessed from the Town of Meredith's website; [www.meredithnh.org](http://www.meredithnh.org). The Administrative Services staff is available to assist with these payments. A future goal is to integrate debit and credit cards for payments at Town Hall; we will update payers as the project moves forward. The Administrative Services staff consistently performs at a high level and in a professional manner.

## Assessing

James Commerford, CNHA, Assessor

Menta Martel, Assessing Office Manager

Bettina Ford, Field Data Collector

### Department's Mission

The primary mission of the Assessing Department is to ensure that all property within the town is assessed fairly and in accordance with the New Hampshire laws governing taxation. Toward that end, the department conducts various practices to ensure the equitable distribution of the tax burden.

### 2013 Review

Every five years the NH Department of Revenue Administration performs an audit of the Assessing Department. It is referred to as Assessment Review. They ensure that we are carrying out the functions of the department based on current state laws and rules. They review all processes of the department. Items reviewed include credit and exemptions, current use, timber and gravel tax and building permit processes. Also, they audit our property record cards for accuracy by selecting a sample and visiting those properties. In addition, they require that our Assessment Level be at or close to 100% for all properties. In order to comply with the last item it was necessary to perform a market update for all properties in 2013.

The update was completed in early August and letters were mailed out to all property owners.

The results of the update were that the town's overall taxable value decreased 6.25% from \$1,858,056,791 to \$1,741,869,194. The breakdown among strata is as follows:

Commercial/Industrial	-3.2%	Single Family Residential	-9.0%
Condominiums	-5.0%	Vacant Land	-17.0%
Mobile Homes (in Parks)	-30.0%	Waterfront Properties	-4.6%
Multi-Family	-5.4%		

The last update was completed in 2009. The market continued to decline through 2011 but appeared to stabilize in late 2012 through 2013. Foreclosure sales have declined contributing to the market stabilization. Time will tell if this trend continues through 2014.

We have completed another year in our re-inspection cycle. I would like to thank all taxpayers for their cooperation in this endeavor. For 2014, we will concentrate in the Route 3 North and South corridors. The objective of the program is to ensure data accuracy in our assessments and eliminating the need for a costly revaluation every five years. It also meets the requirements from the NH DRA.

If anyone has any questions regarding the cyclical program please call our office at 677-4213.

The Assessing Office is here to assist the property owners of Meredith. We welcome your questions and are here to help citizens through the assessing process. Please visit the Assessing Department Link on the Town's website [www.meredithnh.org](http://www.meredithnh.org) for information regarding tax abatements, credits and exemptions, access to tax maps, tax rate history, and a link to the online assessment database.

Respectfully submitted,

James Commerford, CNHA  
Tax Assessor

### **Community Development**

John C. Edgar, AICP, Community Development Director

Bill Edney, Code Enforcement Officer (Building Official, Zoning Administrator, Health Officer)

Angela LaBrecque, Town Planner

Mary Lee Harvey, Administrative Assistant

Chris Tivnan, Clerk

#### Long Range Planning

Community Planning The Community Plan (aka master plan) is a non-regulatory document that articulates a future vision for the community and includes goals, objectives and recommendations intended to help the community achieve its goals. Recommendations may be both regulatory and non-regulatory in nature. The Community Plan was adopted in 2002. The Planning Board has initiated the process of updating the Community Plan and anticipates significant work on the update to be accomplished in 2014.

Watershed Planning The towns of Center Harbor, Moultonborough and Meredith are developing a Sub-watershed Management Plan for Center Harbor Bay and a portion of the Lake Winnepesaukee watershed. The Center Harbor Bay Advisory Committee has been formed and is working on identifying local issues of concern and potential sources of pollution. This is the second sub-watershed plan to cover a portion of the larger Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed. The Lakes Region Planning Commission is working with the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association to facilitate this process.

In 2013 the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association in conjunction with the local Lake Waukegan Advisory Committee initiated a multi-town effort to address water quality concerns in Lake Waukegan and Lake Winona. Lake Waukegan is the town's drinking water supply. Lake Waukegan is influenced by a 12.9 square mile watershed encompassing portions of five towns. The NH Department of Environmental Services has designated Lake Waukegan as "impaired" due to several water quality concerns. Work will continue into 2014 and will result in recommendations on how to improve water quality for consideration by the respective communities.

Land Conservation In 2013 the Board of Selectman and the Conservation Commission, working in partnership with the Town of New Hampton, completed the conservation of a second parcel on the Snake River located immediately upstream of the town's drinking water supply, Lake Waukegan. The Town of Meredith acting through the Conservation Commission secured a conservation easement on the 8 acre parcel. In December 2013, The Board of Selectman was introduced to the possible conservation of a third parcel on the Snake River in New Hampton. Building on the prior collaborations between the two towns, it is expected that in 2014 we will accept a donated conservation easement on an additional 720' of frontage. When completed, the three-parcel initiative will conserve 21.7 abutting acres having 5080' of frontage on the Snake River.

Transportation Planning In the fall of 2013, the Board of Selectman agreed with NH DOT to pursue safety improvements to a segment of NH Route 104 at Meredith Center Road and Chase Road. There is no direct cost to the town. Construction is anticipated in 2014-2015. This culminates years of advocating for these improvements in the NHDOT Ten Year Plan, a corridor management plan for the NH Route 104 and a Road Safety Audit.

## Community Development continued...

In late 2013, the BOS met with NH DOT to resume the process of developing a preferred alternative for improvements to US Route 3 and NH Route 25 in the heart of Meredith Village. In 2014 a steering committee will be formed to work closely with NH DOT. The NH DOT Ten Year Plan has programmed construction funds for 2017.

The “Lakes Tour Scenic Byway” was first designated by the State of NH in 1974 and currently loops around Lake Winnepesaukee with extensions to downtown Laconia, Holderness and Ossipee. Portions of the regional scenic byway are located in Meredith including NH Route 106, US Route 3 and NH Route 25. In late 2013, the Lakes Region Planning Commission initiated a process to develop a management plan for the byway corridor based on direction from the participating communities of Alton, Center Harbor, Gilford, Laconia, Meredith, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro.

Boards, Commissions and Committees The Community Development Department works closely with seven volunteer boards, commissions and committees. In addition to our two regulatory boards, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment, the department provides various support services to the Conservation Commission, Capital Improvements Program Advisory Committee, Village Pathways Committee, Energy Committee and the Waukegan Watershed Advisory Committee. Please take a moment to read their reports contained in this Town Report. As a department we are fortunate to work with such a fine assemblage of citizens dedicated to the betterment of our community. Thank you to all of our volunteers!

### Zoning Administration

Zoning has existed in Meredith since 1971. The broadly stated statutory purpose of zoning is to promote the health, safety and general welfare of the community. The zoning ordinance includes a number of zoning districts and provisions which govern development including building heights, lot line setbacks, lot sizes, population density, land uses and natural resource protection. In March 2013 voters approved proposals by the Planning Board regarding (1) a comprehensive update to our wetlands protection provisions and (2) an innovative Village Housing provision. In December 2013, the Planning Board finalized its work on proposed amendments to the Business and Industry District that will go before the voters in March 2014.

### Capital Improvement Programming

Since 1998, the Capital Improvement Program Advisory Committee has annually developed program of recommended capital improvements. The primary purpose of the CIP is to aid the Selectman in their consideration of the annual budget. In many instances, implementing capital improvements serves to advance facility, infrastructure and conservation goals of the adopted master plan. In October 2013, the Planning Board adopted the recommendations of the Committee for 2014 and beyond. The recommended CIP for 2014 (debt repayment plus capital projects) totals \$1,770,962.

### Development Review

Planning Board The Planning Board reviews applications seeking to: (1) subdivide land, or (2) develop or use land for non-residential purposes. Public hearings are held on each application. In 2013, construction was completed for several projects including:

- Winnepesaukee Playhouse Theatre located on Reservoir Road

## Community Development continued...

- o Relocation of Aubuchon Hardware and Subway to the Meredith Bay Shops Shopping Center on Rte 25
- o Expansion of the Hannaford Supermarket at the Meredith Bay Shops Shopping Center located on NH Route 25
- o Relocation of Rite Aid to a new facility on NH Route 25
- o Construction of Crafty Farm retail farm stand located on US Route 3 North

There are several projects approved or initiated in prior year(s) where completion is anticipated in 2014, including:

- o Redevelopment of a 2,027 SF commercial building located on Main Street
- o New construction of a 2,184 sf professional office building (Crossroads Chiropractic) located at Annalee Place and NH Route 104
- o Building renovations for Hermit Woods Winery located on Main Street
- o New construction to relocate Planet Green Landscaping to Northview Drive
- o New construction of a 2,688 SF barn for (2) professional offices located on NH Route 25
- o A 960 SF expansion of Latchkey Auto Sales/Service located on US Route 3 North
- o Construction of 4 commercial units (Cerutti Construction) located on US Route 3 North
- o Building Expansion for Minute Man Plumbing & Heating located on US Route 3 North

### Planning Board Application Summary 2013

Commercial Indus. Site Plan/Approvals	13	Pre-Application Consultations	3
Home Occ. Site Plan Approvals	0	Scenic Road Tree Cutting Approvals	0
Subdivision Approvals	5	Architectural Design Reviews	9
Boundry Line Adj. Approvals	3	Revocation and/or Disapprovals	0

Zoning Board of Adjustment The Zoning Board of Adjustment reviews proposals that involve some form of zoning-related appeal. Public hearings are held on every proposal. The ZBA considers:

- o Appeals if it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made in the enforcement of the zoning ordinance.
- o Requests for variance from the terms of the zoning ordinance;
- o Requests for special exception as provided for in the zoning ordinance.

### Zoning Board of Adjustment Application Summary 2013

Variance Applications	19	Total Applications Withdrawn	0
Variances Granted	16	Equitable Waivers Granted	1
Variances Denied	3	Rehearing Requests Received	1
Special Exception Applications	18	Rehearing Requests Granted	1
Special Exceptions Granted	18	Rehearing Requests Denied	0
Special Exceptions Denied	0	Administrative Decisions Denied	1

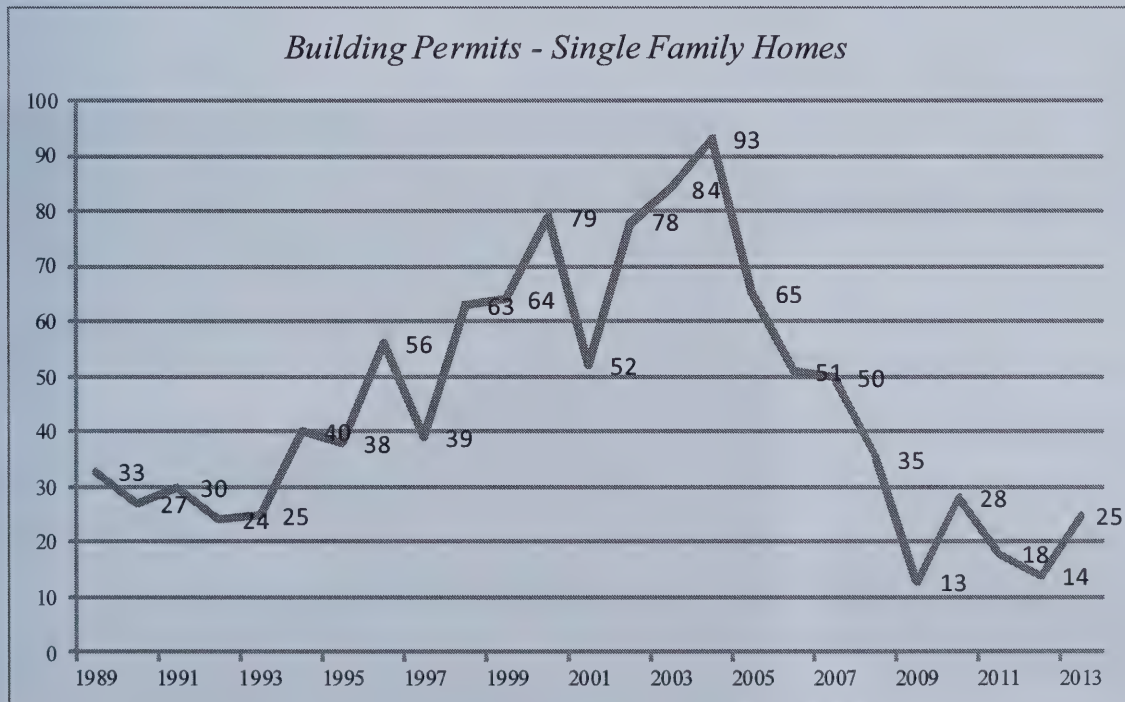
## Community Development continued...

**Building Permit Summary 2013** The Town of Meredith has adopted the NH State Building Codes from the International Code Council as well as NFPA and NEC codes. Permits are required prior to construction in order to determine compliance with the applicable building, life safety and zoning codes. The public is encouraged to contact the Community Development Department prior to initiating a project to determine what codes may apply and when permits are required.

### Building Permit Summary 2013

New Single-Family Homes	25	Electrical/Plumbing	213
New Two-Family Homes	0	Oil Burners	13
New Multi-Family Units	0	Gas Burners & Piping	185
New Commercial Buildings	4	Fences/Signs	33
Special Use Permits	14	Garages/Storage Buildings	36
Mobile Homes	3	Commercial Renovations/Repairs	22
Docks/Boathouses/Pools	21	Residential Renovations/Repairs	110
Demolition	33		

As noted above, Twenty-five (25) Building Permits for single family homes were issued in 2013 as compared to 14 permits in 2012. The following graph illustrates a 25 year trend of single family home construction in Meredith.



### Community Development continued...

#### Public Health

The local Health Officer is state-appointed upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen. The Health Officer works closely with the NH Department of Health and Human Services and the NH Department of Environmental Services on a variety of matters including pandemic planning, public health advisories, complaint resolution, day care licensing, and other public health related issues. In early 2013, the town began to implement health regulations pertaining to septic systems along the shore of the town's drinking water supply, Lake Waukewan.

#### Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement is the compliance side of land use regulation. The Code Enforcement Officer is responsible for ensuring compliance with land use decisions, the zoning ordinance, building codes and health codes. Compliance measures may range from verbal directives to formal orders. The Code Enforcement Officer position also encompasses the duties of the Building Official, Zoning Administrator and Health Officer.

#### Geographic Information System (GIS)

The Community Development maintains a planning-level Geographic Information System (GIS). This system integrates geographic features and data for mapping and related analysis. In 2013, we completed a parcel level existing land use map/analysis, land use change map and vacant land by zoning district map/analysis in support of the on-going master plan update. The 2014 proposed budget eliminates the in-house GIS staff position which is currently vacant. We will out-source limited GIS mapping/analysis services.

Respectfully Submitted,

John C. Edgar, AICP,  
Community Development Director

Proposed Hawkins  
Brook—Echo Trail



### Capital Improvements Program

Annually, the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Advisory Committee reviews capital needs and recommends a program of capital improvement projects for a period of at least six years. The primary purpose of the CIP is to aid the Board of Selectmen and the School Board in their preparation of the annual budget (RSA 674:5). As a preface to the recommendations that follow, it is important to note:

1. Existing Debt service is included in the overall capital program. In 2014, existing debt service payments will total \$1,018,640. This represents 57.52% of the recommended municipal Capital Improvement Program for 2014.
2. The recommended municipal Capital Improvement Program includes additional capital project spending in the amount of \$752,322.
3. The total CIP recommendation for 2014 is \$1,770,962 (includes No. 1 and No. 2 above). This represents an increase of 7.08% over 2013 municipal CIP-related appropriations.
4. Additional debt will be retired in 2016 through 2022. As debt is retired, program capacity associated with the retired debt will be available to support future capital needs.
5. The Town Manager has advised that in addition to what has been identified and recommended there are significant capital projects that are likely to come before the Committee in the future, including:
  - o Replacement of municipal utilities located in US 3 & NH Route 25
  - o Repair or replacement of waterfront infrastructure
  - o Replacement of municipal utilities in Main Street and possible concurrent road improvements.
  - o Replacement of the DPW garage and related site improvements
  - o Reconstruction of Upper Ladd Hill Road, including municipal utilities
  - o Fire Station source capture exhaust system
  - o Water Treatment Plant generator replacement/upgrade

The Committee has not programed these potential projects. It is anticipated however that as these projects become more defined, requests will be submitted for consideration in future CIP amendment cycles.

The Inter-lakes School District has developed a six-year capital improvements program which includes improvements at each of its four facilities (Humiston Building, ILHS, ILES and SCS). The District's program includes three projects that when prorated, meet the Meredith threshold of \$90,000. Meredith comprises approximately 75% of the District and absorbs that share of district costs including capital items. Meredith's pro-rated share is reflected in the Meredith Capital Improvements Program for informational purposes.

#### Recommendations of the CIP Advisory Committee

The following recommendations were presented to and adopted by the Planning Board on October 22, 2013.

#### Fire Department

##### Fire Department Equipment:

Recommendation: : Allocate \$200,000 in 2014 to the Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Expendable Trust Fund, and \$75,000 in 2015 and 2016.

Rationale: With \$200,000 allocated to the Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Expendable Trust Fund in 2013, the estimated balance at year end is \$364,180. The near term priority is to purchase a Heavy Rescue Vehicle in 2014. The estimated cost of this vehicle is approximately \$550,000.

### Capital Improvements Program continued...

This acquisition would replace an existing 1986 Rescue Van and consolidate specialized rescue equipment on one vehicle. Associated with the purchase of this apparatus would be the retirement of 1983 Engine 4 which would not be replaced. The 2015 and 2016 allocations are in view of additional capital equipment replacement needs such as replacing turnout gear that have been identified beyond the near term priority and that are likely to require additional future allocations.

#### Department of Public Works

##### DPW Equipment:

Recommendation: Allocate \$275,000 in 2014 and 2015 to the DPW Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund.

Rationale: Budgetary constraints in recent years have resulted in deferrals of heavy equipment replacement and a consequent “bunching up” of DPW’s equipment replacement schedule. With the anticipated 2013 payment to and withdrawals from the DPW Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund, the estimated balance at year end is \$190,565. The town has begun to make significant progress in addressing deferred replacements however significant additional capital equipment replacement needs are anticipated for 2014 (Kenworth Dump, sidewalk tractor, backhoe, 2015 (brush chipper, F350 dump, Cat Loader, tub grinder) and beyond.

##### DPW Facility:

Recommendation: Allocate \$100,000 in 2014 for the purpose of a Feasibility Study.

Rationale: In 2004 the Space Needs Study Committee (an Advisory Committee to the Board of Selectmen) concluded that the existing Public Works garage constructed in 1965 “is in poor shape and should be replaced”. In 2013, the Town Manager formed a working group to further identify critical needs at the facility. The working group has concluded that it will need professional assistance in moving forward with its analysis and recommendations. The proposed Feasibility Study will involve many considerations including building design and location, energy, storm water management, utilities and the replacement of the vehicle fueling station. The Feasibility Study, conducted by an architectural/engineering firm at the direction of the town, will examine options in these areas resulting in a “preferred alternative” and a “procurement-ready” cost estimate for subsequent consideration by CIP Advisory Committee and ultimately the Town Meeting.

##### Waterfront Infrastructure:

Recommendation: No additional funding is recommended at this time.

Rationale: The Town Manager has advised that he anticipates future capital needs in this area and that the DPW continues its work on the inventory/assessment. The waterfront infrastructure assessment and the related capital needs will be submitted for future consideration by the committee. The Waterfront Infrastructure Expendable Trust Fund estimated balance at year end is \$95,006.

#### General Government

##### Debt Service:

Recommendation: No change to the existing debt service schedule.

Rationale: Administrative Services Director Brenda Vittner has advised that all refinancing possibilities have been exhausted at this time. Over the next ten years, debt will retire in 2015 (Water System Improvements), 2016 (Police Station), 2018 (Page Pond) and 2022 (Plymouth Street/Route 3 North).

## Capital Improvements Program continued...

### Water and Sewer Department

#### Water System Improvements:

Recommendation: Allocate \$175,000 of existing funds currently available to the Water Department for the continued development of an (emergency) backup water supply source.

Rationale: Emery & Garrett Groundwater Investigations, LLC has initiated a groundwater investigation regarding the potential development of an emergency backup municipal water supply source. Prescott Park has been identified as a potential location. Initial yield and water quality test results at Prescott Park are positive suggesting that it would be prudent to continue to pursue this back up option. It is estimated that \$175,000 will cover (7) additional technical tasks including the installation of two to three 2" exploratory wells, one 6" production well, associated yield and water quality testing and analysis and a final hydrogeologic report submitted to the Town and NHDES. It is recommended that existing funds currently available to the Water Department be utilized to fund this project. (i.e. Water System Improvements ETF, Groundwater Source Study ETF and capital reserves). No additional funding in 2014 is recommended.

#### Sewer System Improvements:

Recommendation: No funding is recommended at this time.

Rationale: The Town Manager has advised that the Sewer Department is pursuing an Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) Sewer Study. This assessment may lead to future recommendations on a priority basis. The sewer utility currently has \$482,405 in Sewer Access Fees that are available for repairs and major improvements.

#### Public Library

Recommendation: Allocate \$177,322 (total cost) for exterior work at the public library.

Rationale: The Board of Library Trustees has advised that the library building is in desperate need of masonry work. A couple of years ago a course of bricks came loose and fell on the front stair case. The project includes chimney restoration, copper gutters and brick cleaning and repointing. This submittal is based upon the Historic Building Conditions Report prepared by Chris Williams Architects dated 4/24/12 and the Masonry Conditions Report prepared by John Wastrom dated 4/12/13. The Library has applied for a Land and Community Heritage Investment (LCHIP) grant for up to \$70,000 to help offset the total project cost. The Library expects to learn of the status of their grant application in December 2013. The committee recommends that the Library fully utilize town staff to assist in the bidding process.

#### Inter-Lakes School District

Recommendation: Allocate \$150,000 for each of the next four years (2014-2017).

Rationale: In its 6-year building improvement plan, the District identified three projects that meet the Meredith CIP project threshold: (1) four year phased replacement of the roof on the ILES building beginning in 2014/2015: total project cost-\$593,500, Meredith's share- \$445,125, (2) repaving of the ILHS parking lot and ILES fire access road in 2014/2015: total project cost-\$145,000, Meredith's share- \$108,750 and (3) replacement of the ILHS auditorium seating in 2015/2016: project cost-\$120,000, Meredith's share- \$90,000.

## *General Government*

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### Capital Improvements Program continued...

The District has identified a funding plan that will come from three areas:

- (1) a capital projects allocation in the operating budget (\$100,000);  
(2) use of approximately \$85,000 of existing funds in the School District Facilities Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund (while maintaining an emergency reserve of \$200,000), and (3) \$100,000 annually to the existing School District Facilities Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund.

The School Facilities Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund estimated balance at year end is \$284,925.

#### SUMMARY

##### 2013 Municipal Capital Appropriations

\$ 200,000	Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Expendable Trust Fund
\$ 275,000	DPW Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund
<b>\$ 475,000</b>	<b>Sub Total</b>
<u>\$1,178,875</u>	Debt Repayment
<u>\$1,653,875</u>	Total Municipal CIP-Related Appropriations

##### 2014 Municipal Capital Recommendations

\$ 200,000	Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Expendable Trust Fund
\$ 275,000	DPW Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund
\$ 100,000	DPW Facility Feasibility Study
\$ 177,322	Library Masonry Repairs
<b>\$ 752,322</b>	<b>Sub total</b>
<u>\$1,018,640</u>	Debt Repayment
<u>\$1,770,962</u>	Total Municipal CIP-related Recommendations*

\*exclusive of \$175,000 recommended for the development of the emergency backup municipal water supply to be funded thru funds currently available to the Water Department.

Note: These recommendations can be viewed in spreadsheet format on the town's website [www.meredithnh.org](http://www.meredithnh.org). The spreadsheet also includes a schedule of existing and retiring debt. Information regarding Expendable Trust Funds, including the purpose of each trust and estimated balances, may be found under "Report of Trustees of Trust Funds" under Financial Statements" in this report.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ed Touhey, Chairman

## Village Pathways Committee

The Meredith Village Pathways Committee is an advisory committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The broadly stated purpose of the committee is to develop a pedestrian plan and promote pedestrian activity in the community. Pedestrian planning takes the form of enhancing and expanding pathways, linking together recreational, civic and community destinations throughout Meredith Village and the community as a whole.



The on-going activities of the Village Pathways Committee included a reprinting of the “Meredith Village Historic Walking Map” first published by the Pathways Committee in 2011. Another historic walking tour was offered in November. We continue to promote and distribute our Meredith Village Pathways pedestrian walking map containing 5 walks throughout the village and added a QR code so that it can be accessed by residents and visitors phones.

Some of the major importance and work to the committee this year was their ongoing research and promotion of the Hawkins Brook Eco-trail located behind MVSB and the Crosspoint Shopping Center. The trail will provide recreational and educational opportunities while linking the village to the schools and the Community Center. Our vision is to create a pedestrian trail, having interpretive elements, scenic qualities and a diverse natural environment that would connect residents and visitors to points of interest in and around the village core. Committee members visited and studied similar trails in the area to help them refine the concept and develop a future plan.

Throughout 2013 the Pathways Committee met with and presented their Eco-Trail proposal to the Conservation Commission, the Board of Selectmen, Meredith Rotary, the Greater Meredith Program and property owners Meredith Village Savings Bank, Crosspoint Shopping Center, Meredith Bay Village, and the town of Meredith. The presentations were well received with many favorable comments, suggestions and strong support for the project.

The Eco-Trail proposal is divided into 3 segments. The committee hopes to have Segment 1 which would extend from Route 25, on the left side of MVSB along the rear of the bank’s property along the brook to a lookout area completed in 2014. The trail would be handicap accessible. We have received a \$1,000 grant from the National Park Service to develop a plan. The Pathways Committee believes the Hawkins Brook Eco-Trail will provide a unique experience the heart of Meredith Village for residents and visitors.

We were fortunate to have new members:

Ann Schultz, Alison Whynot, liaison from MVSB, Paula Wanzer, liaison from ConCom.  
They all joined the Pathways Committee in 2013.



We also appreciate the guidance, time and effort we received from Angela LaBrecque, Town Planner and John Edgar, Community Development Director.

Respectfully submitted: Liz Lapham, Chairman

Committee Members: Andrea Bourn, Carol Gerken, Lissa Goodby, Janis Roberts, Sandy Sabutis, Ann Schultz, Chris Schwidder, Paula Wanzer and Alison Whynot

### Energy Committee

The Meredith Energy Committee (MEC) is an advisory committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Its purpose is to encourage and promote energy efficiency, renewable energy, and conservation measures for Meredith's municipal operations, businesses, and residents.

The New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning (NH OEP), estimates that NH citizens and businesses spend over \$6 billion on energy annually and of this amount, \$4.1 billion (or 67%) leaves the state immediately (and in many cases leaves the U.S.) to pay for imported energy. This outflow of energy dollars represents nearly 7% of New Hampshire's gross state product, and is a drain on the state's economy. Based on its population, Meredith's share of these expenditures would be about \$28 to \$30 million per year, of which about \$20 to \$21 million that leaves Meredith immediately. By contrast, a recent legislatively mandated study of energy opportunities in New Hampshire indicated (again, based on population) that investing \$9.5 million in energy efficiency once would save Meredith businesses and residents \$2.4 million in energy costs every year.

Outreach: To help increase awareness of energy opportunities, the MEC hosted workshops targeting different audiences in 2013. On January 26, 2013, a "Button Up 201" workshop was held for the general public to provide an in-depth look on how to control energy costs. The training was led by Andy Duncan, Energy Trainings Manager at Lakes Region Community College, an energy expert who demonstrated how-to techniques on air sealing, insulating, and much more. This workshop also consisted of demonstration tables highlighting insulation, interior storm windows, and NH Electric Cooperative's home efficiency benchmark tool and incentives. The photograph below shows Meredith resident Justin Van Etten describing his experience obtaining an energy audit, implementing its recommendations, and enjoying significant cost savings.

The MEC also reached out to other local energy committees in the Lakes Region to host a roundtable on May 9, 2013. The purpose of this meeting was to connect with other energy committee members in the area to learn about what is happening in other communities.

Having relationships with other local energy committees enables the MEC to collaborate productively with others pursuing similar goals and objectives in other communities.



On September 26, 2013, MEC and PAREI (Plymouth Area Renewable Energy Initiative) hosted a workshop on Energy Issues in Existing Homes that was targeted toward real estate professionals. This workshop focused on the energy issues in existing homes and how realtors can better serve their clients in selling or buying a home. Energy-related real estate topics included how to value and market a home's energy performance, how to find and list energy-related information, and financing options & incentives for energy improvements.

### Energy Committee continued...

On November 21, 2013 the NH Energy Code Challenge workshop was hosted by the MEC at the Community Center for builders, building officials and architects. The purpose of this workshop was to educate these professionals about the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (i.e., minimum applicable energy code requirements). The workshop was focused on high performance building practices, building science, and energy code requirements as well as the construction practices, tools and materials used to verify building performance. The workshop also informed the audience on how to comply with the new Energy Star program.

Energy Planning: The MEC collaborated with the Meredith Planning Board in 2014 to help introduce energy perspectives and issues in the Community Plan Update. An energy chapter in the updated plan will identify existing energy conditions and issues as well as ways to enhance energy efficiency, save energy costs, and boost energy independence for Meredith. Perhaps even more importantly, energy-related issues and opportunities will be incorporated into each of the other chapters as appropriate. Precise sector-specific suggestions and recommendations have been made which contribute to these goals.

Another MEC planning effort began in 2013, assisting in planning for the new Department of Public Works garage. The MEC was invited to discuss energy considerations for this garage in the initial planning phase for this project, with an eye toward making the facility as cost-effective as possible from a lifecycle perspective.

Next Steps: MEC will continue to pursue strong public outreach efforts in 2014 by hosting additional workshops and the Meredith Region Energy Fair. MEC also plans to pursue closer collaboration with other local energy committees in the Lakes Region. Several effective town energy committees are now operating, and all should be able to benefit from each other's ideas and experiences.

The MEC will continue to assist in the planning effort for the DPW garage project as a resource and to seek potential energy funding opportunities.

A major focus for the upcoming months will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regional Energy Fair, scheduled for the Fall of 2014. Energy technologies and opportunities are advancing rapidly, so the focus of the fair will be to raise the public's awareness and knowledge regarding these developments. The first fair, held in February of 2011, was extremely successful and we hope to provide a similarly productive experience for attendees in 2014.

A members of the MEC retired in 2013, and we thank Deborah Crosby for her significant contribution. We have also added two immensely knowledgeable and helpful members, Brian Davis and Malik Haig to the Committee.

Anyone interested in learning more about the work of the MEC is encouraged to visit our web page or contact me at 603-279-0770.

Submitted by:  
Ken Colburn, Chair  
Meredith Energy Committee

### **Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee**

The Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee is an advisory committee appointed by the Meredith Board of Selectmen. The committee provides an organizational structure for citizens and local officials from the five watershed communities to facilitate implementation of the Waukewan Watershed Management Plan. A primary responsibility of the committee is to enhance public awareness and facilitate education regarding water quality conservation issues. The committee works collaboratively with local watershed communities, state agencies, local associations, citizens and other partners in the implementation of the Plan.

Our committee entered its 10th year of service in 2013 and we began the year with a tour of the Meredith Water Plant. Dan Leonard and Lee Bavis led us on a detailed and informative tour including discussion of the high standards and processes involved with the treatment of Lake Waukewan drinking water. We were all impressed with the technical enhancements and safety measures that the water department implements to provide a quality product for Meredith residents and businesses.

We continued to help lead the Lake Host program at the town boat ramp. A collaboration between the town, watershed associations, and the NH Lakes Association enables us to have lake hosts during the summer months. Lake hosts primarily help prevent invasive milfoil from entering the lake through courtesy boat inspections and also help educate boaters about other water quality protection efforts. Tim Whiting deserves special recognition for spearheading this effort as the lead volunteer. Other efforts our committee undertook during 2013 include the following:

Outreach/Education Efforts: Education is our most effective method of long-term water quality protection. Our committee is constantly learning to be better stewards of our shared resource, and in turn, get our message out to all stakeholders. We continue to provide regular email updates to watershed Select Boards as well as our 100-plus waterfront email distribution list. (If you would like to be included in our updates, please email me). We met with and presented updates of our activities during the year to both the Center Harbor Planning Board as well as the Center Harbor Board of Selectmen. Signage was produced and installed at public access points highlighting the importance of protecting the lake as a public drinking supply. Outreach began to the Career Partnership Program to bring on high school interns in 2014.

High Risk Septic Systems: With the inspection deadline of January 1, 2015 approaching, we were glad to see one of the complementary grants come through in the last quarter of 2013. Pat Tarpey, Executive Director of the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association (LWWA), led the way to obtain this “inspection” grant. Letters and applications were mailed to shorefront property owners eligible for this grant in November. This grant is a cost-sharing grant but should help ease the financial burden of the cost of evaluations. Application deadline is March 31, 2014 and will be followed by another grant that will help with the cost of replacement of failed systems.

Storm Water Run-Off: Our primary effort in 2013 was storm water risk management. The Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association led a well-attended Storm Water Management workshop in March and we gladly accepted their offer to take the lead on a grant application for updating our management plan to current standards - by developing a plan for identifying locations and strategies for correcting storm water issues including phosphorus loading.

## Waukegan Watershed Advisory Committee continued...

The grant was awarded and professionals have been hired to begin the project. A kickoff presentation was held in December and can be reviewed here: <http://www.winnepesaukee.org/category/programs-2/grant/>. We will continue to work with LWWA in 2014 to see this project thru which should yield many benefits for our committee and the Town.

In addition, we have been working with the Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) on another grant project called "Soak Up the Rain". This is a demonstration project that is now identifying 14 properties in the watershed with storm water issues. The goal is to prepare free risk management plans for all properties and to implement 4 of these as demonstration projects. If anyone is interested in applying for this free service please contact me.

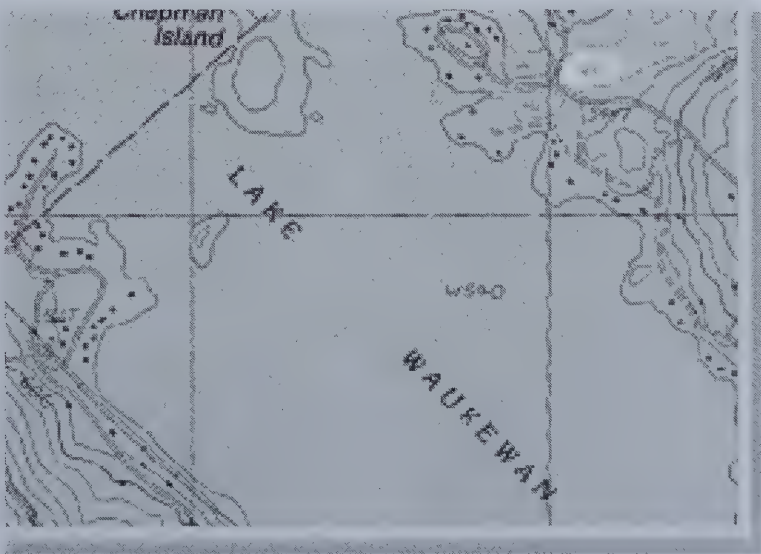
Snake River Bridge Hazardous Trucking: In 2009, we set down a goal to work with the local towns and NHDOT in order to prevent through trucking of hazardous materials. It was believed that the Snake River Bridge "bypass" of downtown Meredith may be used by vehicles carrying hazardous materials and if an accident were to occur at this sensitive point it could endanger the water quality of Lake Waukegan. We engaged LRPC to perform a traffic study in order to determine the scope of the risk involved. After 3 weeks of study, including motorcycle week and a week in mid-July, it was determined that hazmat and heavy vehicle traffic over the Snake River bridge was less significant than originally thought. Thankfully not one hazardous material truck was observed during the study period. Our committee therefore decided to table this item and focus on other areas of concern.

Conservation: Although our committee plays only a supporting role in recent successes, we are very excited about the latest conservation efforts in the watershed. The 192-acre "Fogg Hill" property and the proposed 5-acre (with 720 feet of Snake River frontage) Bergeron Conservation Easement are two recent examples of various groups, towns, and individuals working together to protect the watershed for future generations. The WWAC is ready to assist with all conservation related efforts in the watershed.

This past year our committee re-focused on our fundamental mission of water quality education and outreach. Most of what we accomplish, given our limited resources, is due to collaborations with several groups including NH Lakes, LRPC, LWWA, Conservation Commissions, and various watershed associations and town committees.

I wish to thank all for their cooperation and continued partnership. It is also a pleasure to work alongside a group of committed volunteers, our talented staff including Angela LaBrecque, John Edgar, and Dan Leonard, and a thoughtful and forward-looking Select Board. Our committee meets at 8AM on the first Wednesday of each month and is welcoming new members interested in continued advocacy for the protection of the Waukegan watershed.

Submitted by,  
Randy Eifert, Chairman, [eifert@metrocast.net](mailto:eifert@metrocast.net)



### Conservation Commission

Your Conservation Commission was very busy in 2013.

#### Trails and Bridges

Hamlin Eames Town Forest: The Hamlin-Eames Town Forest is our largest town forest and has the most extensive network of trails. During the year, your conservation commission spent many hours brushing trails, clearing blow-downs, repainting the trail blazes, installing three water-bars, adding almost 50 feet of bog bridging and replacing one of the stream bridges on the blue trail. The Commission greatly appreciates the volunteers who join us for our workdays; our bridge building days have become well-attended events.

Page Pond and Forest: With the addition of the two bridges built in 2012, the trail network in Page continues to expand. Your commission with our volunteer help spend time clearing trails, dealing with blow-downs and repainting trail blazes. The Conservation Commission hired a consultant to conduct an ecological assessment of the Page Pond and Forest lands, pond, streams and wetlands. In the spring, the principals from Watershed to Wetlands presented to the commission and the public the results of their assessment. The Page Pond and Forest Ecological Assessment presentation is available on the Town's website. Page will continue to be a focus in 2014 as we hope to expand the trail network further, construct and mount trail signs and determine the best solution for dealing with the old sharpening shack off the Quarry Trail.

Meredith Community Forest: The Community Forest has an extensive network of trails and your commission, as well as volunteers, spent time brushing trails, clearing blow-downs and adding two water-bars. We also repainted all the trail blazes to make your hiking, snow-shoeing and cross country skiing experience better.



### Conservation Commission continued...

#### Snake River Project

Your Conservation Commission continued their work in conjunction with the Town of New Hampton and the shore-owners associations to protect in perpetuity the Snake River shoreline. The Snake River is a critical component in the protection of the water quality in Lake Waukewan, the source of much of Meredith's drinking water. In 2010, the Town of New Hampton granted a Conservation Easement Deed to the Town of Meredith protecting more than 2,500 feet of river frontage. In 2013, Elizabeth Clingan Baird sold her abutting property to the Town of New Hampton and granted a Conservation Easement Deed to the Town of Meredith, protecting an additional 1,500 feet of river frontage. We are presently working with the town of New Hampton to further protect the Snake River.

#### Public Education and Outreach

Your commission continues its work promoting Meredith's town forests to both our residents and visitors. The commission hosts a number of guided events in the forests, bringing in experts in forestry, biology, ecology and habitat study. We continue to promote our forests through social media, print media and in cooperation with local business. Our "TAKE A HIKE...IN MEREDITH" promotion continues to raise the awareness of the public to our magnificent forests.

Following a tradition initiated by Peter Miller, members of the commission have written newspaper articles highlighting specific aspects of our Town Forests. Below is an excerpt from a recently published article by Ralph Pisapia.

#### Exploring Your Town Forests - Building Bridges

*Meredith, New Hampshire is much more than another town next to a lake. Have you ever taken a hike in one of the 12 Town Forests located in Meredith? If you haven't, you cannot know what you have been missing. Walking along you can find beauty, mystery, discovery and a deep sense of peace. Many people volunteer time and energy to help maintain the forests and are rewarded with a deep sense of accomplishment. Others find excitement, camaraderie and gain knowledge about the environmental beauty of the town.*

*The Meredith Conservation Commission manages over 1,605 acres of Town Forest land. The Commission is also charged with oversight of over 884 acres of land conserved on 14 privately owned parcels with protective conservation easements that assure the natural beauty of the landscape is maintained. Among its many duties, one of the more satisfying Conservation Commission activities is caring for more than 20 miles of hiking trails traversing the Meredith designated Town Forests. One task in maintaining these trails includes building bridges where trails cross streams and wetlands.*



*With the assistance of many volunteers, Commission members have built or rebuilt four major bridges on Town Forests in the last two years. Building a bridge in the middle of a town forest is no easy task. Materials for the actual bridge have to be precisely measured, pre-cut and test fitted before expending the major effort to carrying it to the pre-selected site. Then all material often has to be hand carried to remote sites. Transport of all the material by hand requires a significant coordinated human effort (photo 1).*

## Conservation Commission

### 2013 Highlights

- Members of your Conservation Commission participated in a Lakes Region Conservation Trust effort to conserve in perpetuity the 200 acre Fogg Hill property in Center Harbor. This property is just north of the Meredith, Center Harbor town line, contained in the lake Waukegan watershed and very close to the Meredith Community Forest.
- Commission member Paula Wanzer participated in a seminar on trails compatible with the Americans with Disabilities Act and a seminar on Interpretive Walks.
- Our members participated in a one hour interview on the subject of Shore-Land Protection with NPR.
- The commission is serving as an advisor to the Village Pathways Committee in its efforts to create a Meredith Village Eco-Trail in the Hawkins Brook Wetlands complex.
- The Conservation Commission reviewed 51 Dredge & Fill applications for projects such as docks, beaches, shore land clearing, culverts and subdivisions. We provide comments related to the protection of natural resources; including wetlands, water, fish and wildlife and encroachment on the wetland buffer zone.
- Meanwhile the Conservation Commission continued to fulfill its other obligations. In addition to our scheduled meetings Commission members, alternates and other volunteers spent many hours 'in the field' monitoring your Town Forests and conservation easements held by the Town to insure the public's interests in these properties is protected. At present we monitor 26 parcels possessing approximately 40 miles of boundaries and 2438 acres. These properties range from as far east as Bear Island to as far west as Hermit Woods.

Finally, your conservation commission would like to express its sincere and heartfelt thanks to Peter Miller for his many years of service to the Town of Meredith and the Meredith Conservation Commission. Peter has decided it is time to step down as a member of the Conservation Commission and he will be sorely missed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Billings, Chair    John Sherman, Vice Chair    Ralph Pisapia, Treasurer    Paula Wanzer, Secretary  
Members - Don MacFarlane, Peter Miller, Bob Davis  
Alternates – Bob LeCount, Jacquie Colburn, Tony Sabutis, Paul Dillon, Mary Kahn

The Meredith Conservation Commission is appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in the Meredith Community Center.

If interested in volunteering your time or participating in events,

you can attend the regular meetings or follow the Meredith Conservation Commission on...

the Town website at: (<http://www.meredithnh.org/Joomla/index.php/meredith-conservation-commission>)  
or on Facebook at: (<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Meredith-Conservation-Commission/80128666216>).

In addition to some town support funds, federal tax exempt monetary donations to the Conservation Commission are accepted and applied to offset trail maintenance activities.

## Town Clerk

Kerri A Parker, CTCTC, Town Clerk  
Donna Turner, CDTC, Deputy Town Clerk

2013 was a great year for changes and education. Donna Turner, Deputy finished her 3<sup>rd</sup> year of Certification and graduated as a Certified Deputy Town Clerk. I finished up my 2<sup>nd</sup> year at the New England Municipal Institute held at Plymouth State in July under a full scholarship, and plan to graduate in July of 2014.

In May we reconfigured our office to better serve you and make the set up more open; we were able to utilize all the same pieces that we had to make it work.

As of December the education was completed and our approval from the State of NH was approved so that we are now registering boats at the Town Clerk's office. We are very excited to offer this service to our residents and non-residents as well.

You'll notice that we have changed some information on the website and are now able to allow you to view your Registrations, Tax Bills, and Water/Sewer Bills from the comfort of your home. We are now taking Credit Cards and ETF Checks via this new website ICloud. Sometime in 2014 we are looking into being able to accept Credit Cards in the office over the counter, another way we are working to make your experience at Town Hall more convenient and efficient.

The 2013 Town Clerk Department Collections were as follows...

Town Clerk Services	Total Distributed	Revenue Collected
MV Registrations: Online - 675	10,141	\$ 1,232,393
Dogs	1,280	8,357
Vital Records	1,382	15,960
Marriage Licenses	83	3,780
Miscellaneous...		
UCC filings - Aquatherm permits - Copies		
Dredge & Fill Permits - Mailings - Notary/Justice Fees		5,605
Total Revenue Collected		\$ 1,266,095

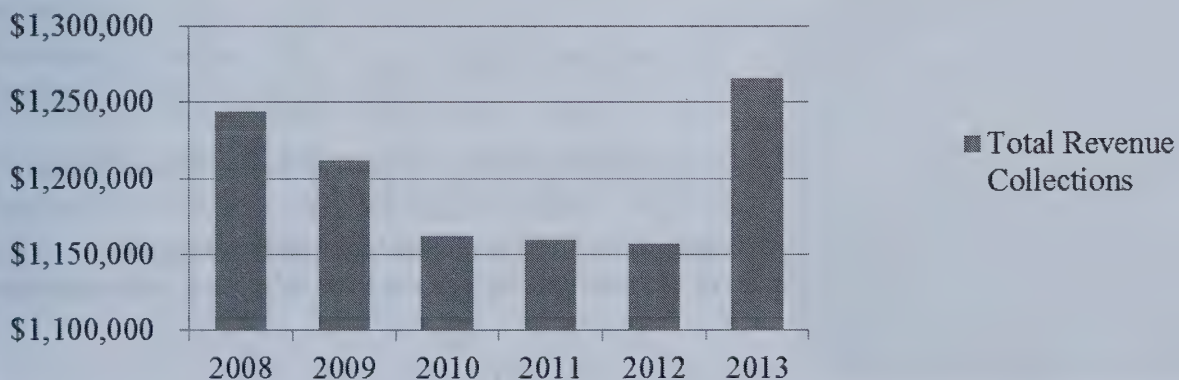


Kerri A. Parker  
Town Clerk



Donna Turner  
Deputy Town Clerk

**Town Clerk Revenue Comparison from 2008 to 2013**



## General Government

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### Fire

With another passing year already in the books, I would like to once again thank the municipal departments/ individuals; especially the MFD Department Officers and Members for their assistance and support in which we continually strive to maintain a top level of emergency service to the citizens of Meredith.

The Department answered a total of 445 calls for the calendar year 2013, which is an increase 50 runs from 2012, and 47 for the previous record set in a calendar year. The majority of runs continue to be alarm activations due to one reason or another and motor vehicle accidents continue to climb in incidents.

As in my previous years, I continue to encourage all business and home owners to insure proper routine maintenance is scheduled and completed on an annual basis on all heating appliances, exhaust sources, smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors and sprinkler systems. We continue to respond to numerous calls associated with these sources in which in many cases could have been prevented with annual maintenance.

Throughout this past year a committee has been established and working diligently on spec'ing the next new piece of apparatus. The committee has spent numerous hours visiting other departments, reviewing demos, and working towards a final spec for a Heavy Rescue to meet the present and future needs of Meredith. With the citizen's approval for final CIP funds, this piece of apparatus will be order shortly and take delivery sometime in early 2015.

Late in the year, a new command car was purchased to replace the 2005 Tahoe which was passed along to the Police Department. This new vehicle is equipped with new radios and command cabinet to assist the incident commander with monitoring fire ground operations for improved command and control of emergency incidents.

We continue to focus on Recruitment and Retention for new and existing members to adequately support daily operations. This is witnessed as a nationwide problem with volunteer and call departments with the stringent requirements associated with training and individual department polices. To date we have been able to meet the hurdles by initiating and continuing with the intern program. As we routinely monitor; the department's roster, responses to calls, the aging memberships, recruiting of new members, we strive to prove the best of service possible and adjusted to the future needs.

Listed below are the calls associated for the year 2008 through 2013.

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Fire Related (structure, vehicle and brush)	9%	9.60%	7%	4.30%	8.80%	8.80%
Mutual Aid (assisting neighboring towns)	15.3	12.9	16.6	15.8	10.1	9.3
Rescue (motor vehicle accidents, medical)	21.6	24.1	22	34.4	24.7	20.9
Public Assist (alarm activations, etc.)	54.2	53.4	54.4	45.5	57.2	60.2
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Total Number of Calls	445	395	384	334	320	387

In closing, I look forward towards the challenges in 2014 as Fire Chief in the upcoming year.

Finally, remember **early detection in the form of smoke detectors save lives, be sure to check yours!**

Submitted by:

Ken Jones, Fire Chief

### Forest Fire Warden continued...

We continue working closely with the State of New Hampshire Division & Lands to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires. During this past year there were roughly 1,170 permits issued consisting of seasonal, three day and single day permits. Considering the actual number of permits, very few incidents required the department's response for incidents involving out of control burning or illegal materials. A number of calls do evolve from individuals reporting seeing smoke. A number of these type calls could possibly be prevented, especially during the winter months with snow cover in which a permit is not legally required. Please consider taking the time to notify someone at the fire station to advise of the intention to burn and specific location, it may help save tax dollars.

A routine violation that we continue to encounter from time to time is unattended fires. A reminder, all outside fires must be supervised by the permit holder until said fire is completely and properly extinguished.

A reminder, that New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of any household waste. If you have any question you may call the station here or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. As in the past, fire permits here in Meredith may be obtained at the Central Fire Station downtown and Town Hall, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Also permits are available at Meredith Center Store and Y-Landing Marina during their normal operating hours.

In closing, I would like to thank all the deputy wardens and citizens for taking the time with permits and education towards prevention wild land fires.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth G Jones  
Forest Fire Warden

Meredith Firefighters along with the aid of other local fire departments show their support using area platforms and ladders to form an archway flying the American flag, as well as, the official POW/MIA flag.

Motorcyclists paid tribute to our servicemen and women who are listed as either Prisoners of War and have not returned home or are Missing in Action.

Riders passed under the arch as they entered the parking area to attend the POW/ MIA Vigil ceremony in Hesky Park. This vigil is believed to be the first and is the longest continuing vigil in the United States.



### **Public Works**

The Public Works Department consists of the Public Works Office and the four divisions of Highway, Solid Waste, Cemetery and Building & Grounds.

#### DPW Office:

This was the year for new “Two-Year Decals” for using the Solid Waste Facility. The new decals were designed, printed and distributed for sale to the public here at the Public Works Office, the Solid Waste Office, and also at the Meredith Town Office, and Center Harbor Town Office. Our office issues Driveway permits, Trench/Road Opening permits, Facility Use permits for the use of our town parks and waterfront, Sign permits for advertising events on the Hesky Park town sign. Our office makes sure that all of our DPW departments are in compliance with regulations, licensing and safety standards. We also order and track expenditures for our divisions for all our materials and supplies. We track the maintenance and repairs on all vehicles and equipment for all town departments. (Our mechanics maintain and repair the town vehicles for all town departments-not just DPW.)

#### Highway Division:

David “Skip” Ambrose retired from the Highway Division this year. Skip came to work for the Town of Meredith in 2001. He had previously worked as a cross country trucker. We also lost a young highway maintenance worker, James Frangelli, who went to work for the private construction sector. We wish them both well. New employees are Keith Wells and Ben Hatch. We welcome them to the team! The Main Street sidewalk from Lake Street to Cross Street and Bonner Road were rebuilt and repaved. During 2013 we did pavement overlays on Patrician Shores, Harbor Heights, Old Follett Road, Old Center Harbor Road, Founders, Marinello, Cataldo, Reservoir, Upper Ladd, Northview Drive, Veasey Shores, Leavitt Park. We did pavement patching on Winona Shores Road, Waukevan Road, Old Barn Road, Chase Road, Hatch Corner, Needle Eye Road,. Chip Sealing was done on Eaton Ave, Cummings Cove, Spindle Point, Observatory, Oak Island, Sachem Cove, Woodvale, Skyview Circle, Carol Lane, Pinnacle Park, Red Pine, White Pine and Pine Cove, Tracey Way, Winton Road, Christy Lane and Casey Way. Our crews do year round maintenance on all roads and signs in the town. Did you know our crews even make our own street signs and many of the other signs we use in town right here in our own computerized Sign Shop? This saves time and money for us all!

There were extensive repairs and rebuilding of our drainage systems done town wide this year. Several violent storms last summer downed trees and limbs and involved a lot of cleanup and debris removal. Heavy washouts on our gravel roads, especially in the Chemung area, necessitated having to add gravel and re-grading the roads.

#### Buildings & Grounds and Cemeteries Divisions:

A high wind storm in the fall tore off the roof of the cemetery tomb at the main Village Cemetery on Route 3. Our BG crew rebuilt the roof. Our crews were kept busy cleaning our town buildings and doing maintenance and repairs on town buildings, grounds and the 89 cemeteries in town. Our crews worked diligently year round keeping it all in pristine condition. An early ice out coupled with high winds resulted in ice dams causing damage to the town docks at Hesky Park. The docks were insured and repairs were made.

#### Solid Waste Division:

We were able to replace an old skid steer with the help of a \$5,000 grant received from “NH The Beautiful”. Residents continued their recycling efforts resulting in a positive impact on our environment as shown below from the Northeast Resource Recycling Association annual report for 2013.

## Public Works

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment. The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling organization, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2013	Environmental Impact!
		Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Paper	306.48 tons	Saved 5,210 trees!
Plastics	27.18 tons	Conserved 40,777.5 gallons of gasoline!
Scrap Metal	142 tons	Conserved 142,415 pounds of coal!
Steel Cans	34,420 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a 60 watt light bulb for 894,920 hours!

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services of this first in the nation, 33-year old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization provides you with:

- Up-to-date Technical Assistance in waste reduction and recycling including solid waste contract negotiations;
- Cooperative Marketing to maximize pricing and Cooperative Purchasing to minimize costs;
- Current Market Conditions and Latest Recycling Trends, both regionally and nationwide;
- Innovative Programs (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream);
- Educational and Networking Opportunities through our Annual Recycling Conference, our new Bi-weekly "Full of Scrap" email news, monthly Marketing meetings, website, and Fall Facility Tours;
- School Recycling Club - a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts;
- NH DES Continuing Ed Credits;
- NH the Beautiful Signs, Grants, Bins and Recycle-mobiles.

The membership has grown to include more than 400 municipalities, businesses and individuals in New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Maine. NRRA, as a non-profit organization, is unique in that we do not charge a "brokerage fee" or work to maximize profit gains, but rather has a minimal "Co-op" Fee" which is re-invested to further your recycling programs and solid waste reduction efforts in schools and municipalities. Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 81,337 tons in fiscal year 2012-2013!

All of us here at Public Works try very hard to provide our residents the best service we can. We would like to extend our thanks to everyone for supporting us in our efforts.

Best Regards,  
Mike Faller, Public Works Director

### **Meredith Public Library**

Erin Apostolos, Library Director

Technology was already a large part of librarianship when I started at the Meredith Public Library in January of 2008. Expensive reference books which were once a mainstay of any library were becoming obsolete as librarians and their patrons could find answers online. We joined the NH State Library Downloadable Consortium which allowed our patrons to download audio books from home. A couple of years later eBooks also became available for checkout. We knew big changes were coming, but how is in-house library circulation fairing in an increasingly digital age? What do we tell the naysayers who ask, “do you really think libraries are still important to the community?” The answer may surprise you.

In 2008, we circulated 84,553 items and in 2013, we circulated 87,634. Our circulation is up 4% since the first year I started. Excellent news! However, the types of items that circulate have changed. For example, in 2008 DVDs, audio books and CDs only accounted for about 1/4 of our circulation. Now they make up about 1/3 of it. Downloadable audio book and eBook circulations in 2008 were far less than 1%. Now they account for 7% of our total circulation.

Adult print fiction usage is down 3% since 2008 and adult print non-fiction is down 2%, but we still circulated nearly 17,000 adult fiction and 4,741 adult non-fiction books in print this year. That is 25% of our total circulation. Audio book and juvenile DVD usage have doubled and books for children are up 13% since 2008.

Formats that don't seem as popular now as in 2008 are music CDs (down 64% for adult, but up 10% for children), magazines (down 6%) and paperbacks (down 47%). Most of this is due to the availability of music, magazines and “cheap paperbacks” online. Many eBook paperbacks can be purchased for about \$3.00. In addition, they can be downloaded for free through the state site with your library card. Most popular magazines can be accessed for free with your library card as well, including back issues.

The library's mission now focuses on education and today's library user is very interested in technology. We offer one-on-one technology training which can be booked in advance for 30-minute or one-hour time slots. There is a monthly computer club. We also answer questions about devices, searching the Internet and help with our eight public PCs from the front desk. Today's librarian needs to be technology-savvy.

We have expanded our adult, teen and children's offerings over the past six years. Genealogy Club, two book groups, a writer's group and knitting group are offered weekly and/or monthly. In addition we host six humanities programs per year, workshops and lectures for adults. Teens now have their own Advisory Board (TAB) which assist with decorating the teen space, developing the collection and devising workshops for that age group, as well as book groups, clubs and after-school workshops. Our children's programs are extremely busy from Tot Time, Animals and Me, Bedtime Stories, and many after-school and Saturday workshops are provided. Summer Reading is also very popular with every age group invited to participate in reading for prizes and special events.

We also provide outreach in the community including partnerships with the Inter-Lakes Schools, Lakeland School, Community Center and Senior Center, nursing home visits and a partnership with the Altrusa Club to deliver library materials to the homebound.

## Meredith Public Library continued...

Much of our ability to provide extra services is thanks to our amazing Friends of the Library. Started again in 2008 after a many years of dormancy, this group has raised funds through Membership drives, an annual 5K, book sales and online book sales. They sponsor many of our activities at the library, museum passes, Ancestry.com and promotional items such as book bags, bookmarks and library card holders. We would be lost without them and appreciate their tremendous support!

There is a Master Plan Committee working on the plan for the future of the library looking ahead ten to fifteen years. Keep an eye out for surveys and meetings where the public will be asked to come to discuss the future of the library. We hope to have this plan in place by the end of 2014.

In closing, I wish to thank the Trustees, Staff and Patrons of the Meredith Public Library for making the library one of the most valuable assets in the community. People who visit us for the first time are highly complimentary of our building, staff and collection. Our long time library patrons continue to offer their support through frequent visits, generous donations and warm words of thanks. Our trustees encourage most of the plans and ideas of the library staff, which allows us to keep library services and collections so diverse.

Do we really think libraries are still important to the community? Increased circulation, popular workshops and lectures, and frequent visits by our library patrons indicate that the Meredith Public Library is just as vital now as it was when it began in 1882. We look forward to 2082!

Erin Apostolos  
Library Director

Circulation...		Statistics...	
DVDs, CDs, Audio Books	28,554	Reference Questions Answered	10,772
Books	49,170	Number of Registered Patrons	5,583
Magazines	2,121	Internet Usage	4,861
Interlibrary Loans	1,936		
eBooks and eAudios	6,014		
Museum Passes	249	Acquisitions...	
Telescope	11	DVDs, CDs, Audio Books	759
<i>Total Circulation</i>	88,055	Books	3,182
		Gifts	35
		Lost/Discarded	5,391
		<i>Total Inventory</i>	41,144

## **Parks and Recreation**

Vint M. Choiniere, Parks and Recreation Director, CPRP

We would like to thank the many volunteers and sponsors who contributed so much to the success of our programs and activities in 2013. Community members have shared their time and talents as youth sports coaches, field trip chaperones, special event helpers, and many other roles to help make Meredith a wonderful place to live and work. Among our many dedicated volunteers is Nancy Lavigne, who has nearly single handedly cared for and nurtured the Community Center garden over the last five years. Nancy has given her heart and soul to the garden and the community has benefited greatly from her efforts, as we have enjoyed its growth and development. Thank you Nancy!

Thank you also to members of the Friends of Parks and Recreation, and a special thank you to the Public Works and the Water and Sewer Departments for their generous provision of time, equipment, and expertise, which allows us to effectively complete maintenance tasks and projects. Thank you to volunteers Brian Grinavic (Gunstock Ski Program), Matt Tremblay (Holiday Open House & Tree Lighting), and Nancy Gallagher (Lacrosse Program) for their assistance. Thanks also for the support and cooperation we receive from the Inter-Lakes Youth Soccer Association, Babe Ruth Youth Softball League, Cal Ripken Youth Baseball League, Bill Lamper Youth Basketball League, and the Lakes Region Flag Football League.

We would also like to thank our Parks & Recreation Department team members and Program Counselors who provide professional services in their respective fields to help create a warm and positive atmosphere around our programs and facilities. They take great pride in offering interesting and healthy recreational opportunities to our community.

### Facility Improvements and Projects

The Parks and Recreation maintenance team continued its dedication to providing some of the finest athletic fields and facilities in the Lakes Region, as evidenced by the many organizations that scheduled tournaments on nearly every weekend in 2013. Demand for the use of our fields continues to increase each year with the addition of lacrosse and legion baseball in 2013. In 2013 the department assumed the task of mowing and trimming all facilities for the first time. The transition went very well and allowed the department far more control over the mowing schedule based on weather and conditions. The maintenance staff made improvements such as fully renovating the equipment surfaces at the Prescott Park Playground, installing a new handicap accessible walkway at the Jack's Place Playground, and installing new grills at the Leavitt Beach Picnic Area. The organic turf management program implemented in 2010 continues to be improved and refined, providing quality playing surfaces and green spaces for people to safely enjoy.

### Community Center Flourishes

Although heavy demand for use of the Community Center was predicted prior to opening the facility in 2006, actual usage has surpassed expectations. Demand for the Community Center continued to be strong in 2013. Along with many activities being offered by the Meredith Parks and Recreation Department, the Community Center hosted 30 different public service organizations on a regular and frequent basis for meetings, training sessions, public hearings, and presentations. These groups included municipal, school department, state, and federal agencies. The Community Center hosted 90 different non-profit groups in 2013 many of which utilized the facility on a regular basis. The Community Center also hosted 75 different private groups such as birthday parties, wedding receptions, family reunions, business ventures, and many others. The Meredith Parks and Recreation Department has registered 2,656 families and 6,173 members for programs it has offered since opening the Community Center.

## Parks and Recreation continued...

In 2013 the Community Center received 7,736 registrations for the Parks and Recreation Department's high school and middle school after school "drop in" program, where students have the opportunity to choose their own activities in both the activity center and game room. A list of 2013 program participation numbers for activities offered by the Meredith Parks and Recreation Department is provided below.

The Community Center has provided a wonderful gathering place for our community and for people of all ages to play, socialize, learn, make decisions, and plan for our future needs.

We look forward to working together with the community to help meet the demand and make the Community Center available to as many different user groups as reasonably possible.

### *SUCCEEDING IN TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES: THANK YOU SPONSORS & STAFF!*

Once again we were faced with the loss of funding for all of our family events that had been offered to our community free of charge for many years. The events facing elimination were 4<sup>th</sup> of July Concert, Street Dance, Easter Egg Hunt, Family Fun Night, Fall Family Fun Fest, Tree Lighting/Holiday Open House, and Movies in the Park. Thanks to the efforts of our Program Director, Sarah Perkins, Parks and Recreation Department staff members as a whole, and through generous support from our local merchants, civic groups, and private citizens nearly all of these long standing programs were successfully held. This is an accomplishment that we are very proud of and at the same time we are very appreciative of the generous sponsorships that we received making it all possible. I would like to acknowledge the following people/agencies for their support:

- ♦ Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by: Altrusa
- ♦ Movies in the Park sponsored by: FRIENDS of Parks and Recreation
- ♦ 4<sup>th</sup> of July Concert sponsored by: Inns & Spa at Mill Falls
- ♦ Holiday Open House sponsored by: FRIENDS of Parks and Recreation

Program and # of participants		Program and # of participants		Program and # of participants	
2 Movie Nights	150	Fall Family Fun Fest	200+	Polar Caves Field Trip	82
4 <sup>th</sup> of July Concert	400	Family Fun/Halloween Night	200	Preschool Playgroup	57
Adult and Youth Tennis Lessons	10	Full & Half Day Camps (no school)	208	Red Sox Trip	52
Adult Coed Volleyball	35	Girls Volleyball	17	School Vacation Camps	200
After School Program	36	Gunstock Ski Program	34	Science Center Trip	71
Annual Christmas Tree Lighting	120+	Holiday Movie Elf Big Screen	60	Senior Exercise	51
Annual Easter Egg Hunt	250+	Hershey Track and Field Program	37	Skate Park Drop-Ins	2000+
Annual Street Dance & Hesky	150	Holiday Open House	150+	Summer Camp Can Do (Ages 6-14)	92
Birthday Parties	43	Kidz Creation – Preschool Art	2	Summer Kiddie Camp (Ages 3-5)	10
Climbing Wall Drop Ins	54	Lacrosse	33	Swim Lessons	109
Coed T-Ball	29	North Pole Calling	50	Theatre Camp	36
Coed Youth Soccer	73	Pick Up Adult Basketball	482	Wellington Beach Trip	64
Community Center Drop-Ins	7,736	Pick Up Women's Basketball	9	Whales Tale Trip	85
Counselor in Training Program	20	Adult Pickle Ball	26	Youth Dodge Ball	188
Craft Fair Attendees	100			Youth Gym & Fitness	21
Craft Fair Vendors	34			Youth Volley Ball K-5	16

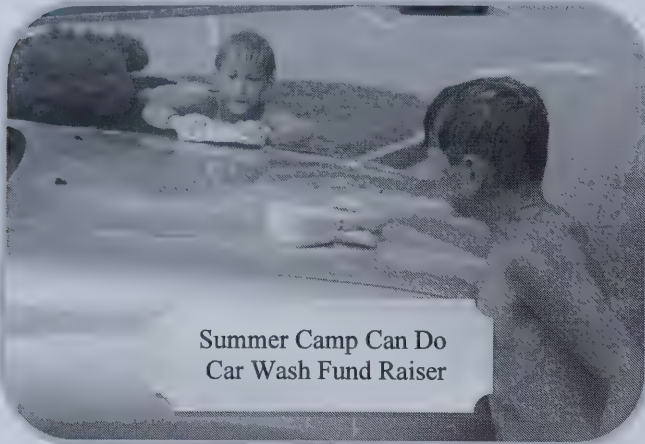
As always I encourage you to get involved by sharing your thoughts and ideas with us and I look forward to working together as a community to provide quality recreational opportunities for all to enjoy now and into the future. Have a safe and healthy year in 2014.

Sincerely,

Vint M. Choiniere, CPRP

Meredith Parks and Recreation Director

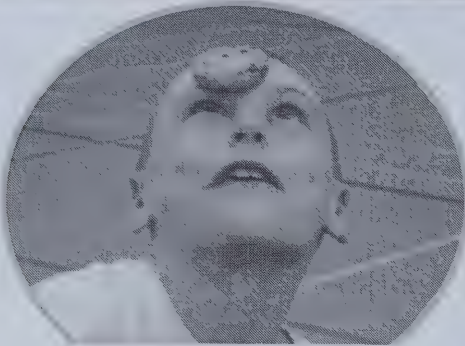
## General Government



Summer Camp Can Do  
Car Wash Fund Raiser



Easter  
Egg Hunt



Don't Try This At Home!

Tee Ball

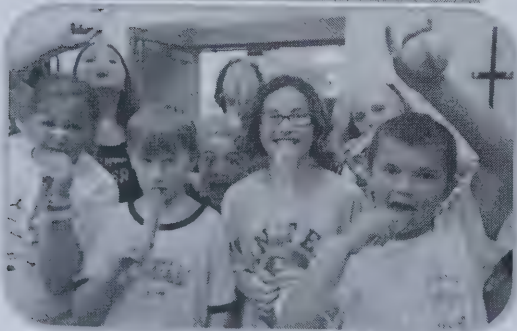


Tight Squeeze



Gentle  
Touch

Cooling Off at Camp Can Do



Having Fun at Leavitt Beach

## Police

Chief of Police, Kevin A. Morrow

*"The mission of the Meredith Police Department is to prevent crime, preserve order and to protect the rights, lives and property of all people. We will work in partnership with our community to identify and effectively respond to the diverse, ever-changing social neighborhood problems and needs. We will do this with respect, fairness and compassion."*

Admittedly, sometimes it is easier said than done to prevent crime. But, when we are able to prevent it altogether or prevent it from being completed, or prevent it from affecting a greater number of people, there is always a great sense of satisfaction. If the preservation of both public and officer safety is met, whether that satisfaction is culminated after countless 'man hours' of investigation or preparation or through impromptu tactics because there is no time, then we all succeed. Take for instance a call that came in on March 21<sup>st</sup> from a neighboring agency that had intelligence through a local business for a large shipment of drugs to a property here in Meredith. The officers had to act quickly to secure, what ended up being approximately 25 pounds of medical grade marijuana, and to arrest the receiving party, all in just over an hour's time. The confiscated drugs, which were meant to be sold, were a minor part of a much larger problem, a problem that the Meredith Police Department has continued to work with the DEA on. In the bigger scheme of things, someone's loved one was protected; someone was denied the use of it; someone was denied making money off of it and someone's criminal act was derailed.

To continue the premise of this department's mission statement above, after prevention, preservation and protection, I would like to touch upon partnership. Whether it is partnership with another law enforcement agency, as in the aforementioned example, or partnership within our community, it is an aspect of our mission that we strive to always keep well connected. A good working partnership has ways of garnering good morale, good visibility, and good rapport with the public and private sectors. To take it a step further, good partnerships make planned and unexpected changes alike go smoothly. For example, changes in our school systems, which are reacting to tragedy and concerns elsewhere in the United States, are merely preventative measures to help safeguard our children. In that partnership, you will have noticed officers assisting with traffic on and off school grounds as well as with drop off and pick-ups at the Inter-Lakes campuses. We appreciate all the positive feedback that the Meredith Police Department and the school district have received in instituting these changes, as well as everyone's cooperation. Truthfully, our goals are all the same, keeping our kids safe.

If you passed by an officer at the school doing traffic, you will have noticed an interesting trend that took up the end of October through all of November; beards. Members of the Meredith Police Department, who also comprise the Meredith Police Association, participated in "Grovenber", which is a nationwide program that helps bring awareness to men dealing with Prostate Cancer. Again, showing that members of the Meredith Police Department are more than professional, even when one their own has a family member dealing with a major health issue, they choose to stay positive and show their support by pledging to donate \$2,000.00 for Prostate Cancer Research. Thanks to additional generosity from the public, the Meredith Police Association was able to donate a total of \$2,394.00 to the American Cancer Society.

## Police continued...



From Left to Right is...  
 Chief Kevin Morrow, Town Manager Phil Warren,  
 Officer Robert Nedeau, Sgt. Michael Harper,  
 Detective Corporal John Eichhorn,  
 Lt. Keith True and Officer Bart Merrill.  
 (Courtesy photo) provided by: Laconia Daily Sun

The above photo was posted in the Laconia Daily Sun to promote the Meredith Police Department's participation in "Grovenember", but I would like to add that numerous officers, who also grew beards in support, were not available for the photo.

In closing, I would like to reiterate that the men and women of the Meredith Police Department are committed to performing our jobs with fairness, respect and compassion towards all.

We wish everyone a safe and prosperous New Year.

Submitted by:

Kevin Morrow  
 Police Chief

2013	Activities	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
S						
T	Calls for Service	13,668	12,621	13,498	13,321	12,061
A	Traffic Violations	2,869	2,748	3,039	2,674	2,205
T	Arrests	311	299	313	271	246
I	Accidents	244	207	242	271	249
S	Incidents	519	497	494	523	493
T	Animal Calls		374	466	464	351
I	Warrants				55	46
C						
S						

### Emergency Management

Kevin A Morrow, Meredith Emergency Management Director  
Peter Russell, Assistant Emergency Management Director

In 2013 this was not a very active year for members of the Emergency Management team, which I'm very thankful for. We did have some emergency issues that happened, mostly power lines down, minor flooding, and trees across the roads.

During 2013 Emergency Management Team did work with Lakes Region Partnership for Public Health, on addressing response to consequences of any natural disaster or emergency situation that would affect the population or property within Belknap County areas.

Meredith Hazards Mitigation Plans serves as a means to reduce future losses from natural or man-made hazard events before they occur. In 2014 these Hazards Mitigation Plans will be reviewed with the assistance of Lakes Region Planning Commission, Town Manager, Public Works, Water Department, Parks and Recreation, Fire Department, Community Development, Superintendent SAU, Stewarts Ambulance, and our Heath officer.

Please do not forget about the Flu seasons: here are some helpful hints...

- ♦Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze.
- ♦Wash your hands often with soap and water.
- ♦Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- ♦Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- ♦Stay home if you are sick.

On behalf of Peter Russell and myself, I would like to thank the community for all their help and patience, assisting the Town and our neighbors to get through the many issues that burdened us over the past years.

Submitted by:

Kevin Morrow  
Meredith Emergency Management Director



### Water and Sewer

#### Water

The Meredith Water Department is committed to providing the community with the safest drinking water possible, and enough supply to meet its demand for both consumption and fire protection. The Water Department was in full compliance with all Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) rules and regulations as they apply to drinking water sampling, production, and reporting for 2013. For more information on your drinking water please refer to the annually published CCR (Consumer Confidence Report).



The Water Department staff continues proactively to maintain the water treatment plant, two water booster stations, 18 miles of aging water mains, well over 100 hydrants, and the town's 1.5 million gallon water tower. A comprehensive asset management study began in 2013 and will be completed in 2014.

#### Sewer

The Meredith Sewer Department maintains the collection system which consists of over 20 miles of sewer mains, 5 lift stations, and over 300 manholes. The staff regularly performs maintenance on the pump stations and sewer main cleaning activities to keep everything flowing properly.

2012 marked the completion of the repair of the failing sewer pipe on Route 25. 2013 brought the beginning of an I&I (inflow and infiltration) study in the downtown area and will continue into 2014. Meanwhile the department has continued an aggressive proactive maintenance schedule on the system.

#### Staff

The Water and Sewer Department have a combined staff of five employees faithfully devoted to safely providing quality customer service to our 1,200 water customers and 1,400 sewer customers. Every staff member is licensed to operate both our water and sewer systems. We work 7 days a week and are on-call 24/7 for emergencies.

If you have any questions, comments, or complaints please feel free to call 279-3046 or drop by our office at 50 Waukegan Street during office hours Monday – Friday.

Thank you,

Daniel Leonard  
Water & Sewer Superintendent

## *Supported Outside Agencies*

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### American Legion Griggs/Wyatt Post 33

#### Legion Officers

Robert V. Kennelly, Commander    Justin Sargent, Sgt-at-Arms    Perry Taylor, Junior Vice Commander  
Michael Gould, Judge Advocate    Sam Blake, Senior Vice Commander    Henry Hall, Chaplin  
Marc Sullivan, Adjutant    Elliot Finn, Service Officer    Casey Smith, Historian  
Herbert Vadney, Finance Officer  
Chuck Thorndike, Commander Honor Guard

#### Ladies Auxiliary Officers

Mary Ballou, President    Amanda Baker, Treasurer    Billie Jo Furbish, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Jeanne Almieda, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President    Mary Ballou, Sgt-at-Arms  
Karen Casazza, Secretary    Fran Milliken, Chaplin

#### Sons of the American Legion (S.A.L.) Officers

Jim Hurd, Commander    Neal MacDonald, Chaplin    Jeff Wyatt, Sr. Vice Commander  
James Hurd, Historian    Ron Linke, Jr., Junior Vice Commander    Eric Riley, Sgt-At-Arms  
Barry Weeks, Treasurer and Adjutant

The Post has been at 6 Plymouth Street for over 80 years and is one of the most consistent parts of Meredith history and as such we are committed to putting Veterans and the community of Meredith first. We have about 250 Legion members, about 120 Ladies Auxiliary members and about 55 S.A.L. members. All three organizations work together to try to make our Post a well run one. We have a canteen that is open to members and their guests 7 days a week with different operating hours every day. Our meetings are held at 7PM the first Tuesday of every month except July and August.

We work with the youth of the Meredith area through the schools, the Meredith Parks and Recreation Department and the Santa Fund.

We hope to get area residents interested in our activities which are as follows:

The Fishing Derby in February  
Memorial Day  
The Fourth of July  
Meredith Home Day and  
Fine Arts & Crafts Festival in August  
The Annual 9/11 Ceremony and Tribute  
Halloween Veterans Day Thanksgiving  
Christmas  
New Years Eve and New Years Day

Please check the Meredith News, Laconia Daily Sun, the Laconia Citizen or at the Post for dates and times. Post phone number is 279-8503.



### Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice

About the Organization: Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice (CNHVNAH) is a non-profit home health, hospice and community service agency serving Belknap County and Southern Carroll County. The central office is located in Laconia. We provide home based professional healthcare and supportive care services using skilled, licensed and certified

clinicians through four programs: Homecare, Hospice & Palliative Care, Young Family Pediatric Care, and Senior Support Services. CNHVNAH is the local non-profit provider of Medicare-certified hospice services and specialized pediatric family support programs – in partnership with the state of NH. The organization is licensed by the State of New Hampshire and certified by Medicare and Medicaid.



Last year the Town of Meredith provided \$10,000 of funding to assist in supporting three of the agency's programs: Hospice, Senior Support Services and Young Family/Pediatric services. These programs rely in part on private and community contributions to be sustained. Central NH VNA & Hospice leverages town contributions with donations from individuals, community service organizations and agency fund raising events to maintain program services for town residents. Funds provided by the Town of Meredith are used to serve Meredith residents. Below you will find a summary of the services provided in Meredith during the past year.

**Hospice & Palliative Care:** Last year the agency provided 1,833 home visits to 54 Meredith residents at the end of life, representing a 13% increase over the previous year. (This figure reflects only direct visits to the patient and does not include supportive visits to the family following death or bereavement support group attendance by town residents.)

**Pediatric Services:** 105 visits were made to 21 Meredith families with young children to provide guidance and support to new parents, connect children with a medical home, provide direct healthcare services or offer parental guidance & education.

**Senior Support Services:** 915 visits were made to 12 frail elderly in Meredith to help maintain them in a home setting rather than transfer to a nursing home. This represented a 110% increase in visit volume from the previous year.

**Vaccine Services:** Last year the agency provided 107 adult influenza and childhood vaccines to Meredith residents.

It is a privilege to provide services to Meredith residents, and we are grateful for the town support that enables us to carry on these health-related community functions.

Submitted by:  
Margaret Franckhauser, Executive Director

### Chamber of Commerce

The Meredith Area Chamber of Commerce consists of over 300 businesses that are organized to advance and promote the commercial, industrial, service, professional, tourism, and retail interests of Meredith and its trade area. While many of the activities of the Chamber are tourist related, all segments of the business community make up the membership. The Chamber office is located at 272 Daniel Webster Highway and is open year round. Visitors to the Center find a wide array of promotional literature about the Lakes Region. Staffing the Center in 2013 were Jean Greenlaw, Stephanie Whiting, Molly Landrigan, and Adrienne Stevens.

The Chamber maintains a website which lists all Chamber members, is registered with the major search engines, and provides members with advertising opportunities. Community organizations are also listed on the site as well as a comprehensive calendar of events. Again this year, the Chamber conducted an advertising campaign designed to entice people to visit the area and we produced and distributed a four color, 24 page, high quality brochure which was distributed at high traffic tourist attractions in Vermont, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts as well as at the state rest areas and the Manchester Airport Visitor Center. The brochure is also mailed out in response to inquiries received at the Chamber.

Chamber sponsored events included the Lakes Region Fine Arts and Crafts Festival, Margaritaville in Meredith, the Awards Ceremony at the Annual Meeting. Regular Business After Hours and Breakfast Forums were held and The Marine Services Guide, the Around the Town Map, the Wedding Guide, the Professional Guide, and the Service Guide were all updated. In addition, the Chamber assists many community organizations in the promotion of their events.

The Chamber greatly appreciates the support of the community for its many activities and is especially appreciative of the cooperation and assistance received from the various departments of the town in carrying out its many projects.

Susan Cerutti  
Executive Director



Photo from The Meredith Area Chamber of Commerce Website.

### **Child and Family Services**

On behalf of the clients and staff of Child and Family Services, we are pleased to send this report to the residents of Meredith on the services we provided to residents in the past year. Town support is critical to our being able to offer a wide range of services to children and their families without regard to income. All of the agency's services are affordable and accessible to families in need.

We serve children, youth and families in clinical, community, school and home-based settings. The funding provided by the town mainly supports our Family and Children's Counseling program, making it possible for us to provide needed services to those least able to afford them. In the current economic climate, more individuals and families are struggling to keep afloat. Challenged by unemployment or working more than one low-paying job, being uninsured or underinsured, and facing higher levels of stress due to short finances, leads to emotional stress. This combination of unrelenting pressure and limited resources can lead to a cycle of coping difficulties, emotional outbursts or withdrawal, and chronic relationship conflicts that can interfere with positive decision-making, healthy actions and parenting. Six families received family counseling services last year.

Community support makes it possible for CFS to deliver a range of other family support services to residents. In 2013 we provided 64 residents with services including supervised visitations for families whose children were in foster care, home-based therapeutic services for families in crisis, residential summer camping at Camp Spaulding and opportunities for children to participate in enrichment activities thanks to the Annette Schmitt Fund.

Every dollar the community invests in Child and Family Services is returned many times over in the value of services provided to residents. Having local support makes it possible for us to apply for state and federal contracts and charitable funds from foundations. We continue to count on your help to be able to offer a full range of quality, professional services to children and their families who otherwise could not afford them because they lack insurance or are underinsured. 75% of the families we serve live below the federal poverty guidelines. We believe that CFS has the most accessible and balanced fee policy of any similar agency in the state. This is made possible by grants, such as those received by the Town of Meredith and makes it possible for us to serve the most needy, vulnerable families without regard to income. Town support also makes it possible for us to secure a range of other charitable and public dollars that require local matching funds.

Child and Family Services is New Hampshire's oldest charitable social service organization. We have been serving New Hampshire children and families for 164 years. We are pleased to serve the families of Meredith through our NEW Laconia office location at 719 North Main Street; as well as at 841 Central Street, Franklin, 103 N. State Street, Concord. Manchester program sites: at 464 Chestnut Street and Teen Outreach Center, 99 Hanover Street where we serve homeless youth and operate the state's only outpatient Adolescent Substance Abuse Treatment program and Camp Spaulding in Penacook, NH.

For further information about any of these services please call (800) 640-6486 or visit our website at [www.cfsnh.org](http://www.cfsnh.org).

Submitted by:  
Ruth Zax

## *Supported Outside Agencies*

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### Community Action Program

The mission of the Community Action Program is to work with low-income families, the elderly and those with handicapping conditions to assist them in their efforts to become or remain financially and socially independent. The Agency accomplishes this task by providing a broad array of programs that are locally defined, planned and managed. During the past year, we have provided \$638,850 in services offered through the area center. In Meredith, we help with fuel and electric assistance, security deposits and emergency assistance. We work hand-in-hand with other organizations to meet the needs of our residents. For those who are unable to come to CAP's office, we visit their homes and assess how we can help them. Our staff conducts the initial intake and redetermination of eligibility for Meals On Wheels. We also maintain an emergency food pantry. For more information, please contact us at 279-4096 or stop by our office at 147 Main Street.



A portion of our funding that allows us to offer these services comes from the towns we serve. Meredith has been very supportive of our efforts over the years, and we are thankful for the Town's continued commitment to our programs.

Susan Richards, Area Center Director

### Meredith Historical Society

The Society's purpose is the collection and preservation of the history of Meredith. This includes preserving valuable books, manuscripts, photographs, prints, textiles, relics and other articles related to the history of Meredith. The purpose also includes maintaining the Pottle Meeting House, operating as the Farm Museum, and the Main Street Museum to house our collection.



The funds for maintaining the artifacts and the two museums buildings are provided by donations from members and other interested parties. Sums designated as trust funds and bequests are encouraged, as they enable the Society to hold such amounts in trust and use only the interest as needed. The Town generously provides funds to assist in the payment of a stipend for the summer greeter for our Main Street Museum.

The Main Street museum is open from Memorial Day to Columbus Day four days a week Wednesday through Saturday from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The Farm Museum is open Wednesday and Saturday afternoons during the summer and from Labor Day to Columbus Day on Saturdays from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM and is staffed by volunteers. Arrangements can be made to visit the museum at other times by calling 279-1190. Again this year there were visitors from all over the US and other Countries.

From May through November, on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM, the Society sponsors programs and activities that increase awareness of town history. The topics this last year included: The History of Firefighting, The Other Side of the Midnight Ride with Paul Revere, My Favorite Meredith Stories by Dan Heyduk, The Story of Swenson's Granite, A Woman That Keeps Good Order and The Roosevelt Funeral Train. All programs are open to the general public and are free of charge.

The Society would like to thank the many volunteers for their help cataloguing articles, cleaning textiles, organizing exhibits, creating window displays, hosting the Farm Museum, providing refreshments for the meetings, baking for the bake sale and maintaining the buildings. The Society is grateful for the consideration and support of all the people in the Town of Meredith, making it possible for the Society to continue to serve the public.

George Jewell, President

## Supported Outside Agencies

### Genesis

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To the Residents of Meredith:

Thank you for investing in Genesis Behavioral Health and contributing to the health, wellness, and safety of our community!

The appropriation we received from the Town of Meredith's 2013 budget helped us support the cost of providing emergency mental health care to the residents of your town.

During Fiscal Year 2013 (July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013), we served...

**221 Meredith residents and provided emergency services to 43 Meredith residents.**

We provided \$17,553.90 in charity care.

Age Range	Number of Patients
Ages 1 – 17	55
Ages 18 – 61	118
Age 62 and over	48

The mental health crisis in New Hampshire is real. We know firsthand that reduced access to mental health care leads to increased demand on many of the systems in our community, including emergency rooms, law enforcement, first responders, courts, corrections, schools and municipalities like yours. The economic cost of untreated mental illness is more than 100 billion dollars each year in the United States, causing unnecessary disability, unemployment, substance abuse, homelessness, inappropriate incarceration, suicide and wasted lives (National Alliance on Mental Illness, 2011).

The repercussions of reduced funding and limited access to mental health care are devastating. Mental health treatment helps people foster fulfilling, relationships, maintain stable employment and contribute to their community. We work with your police and fire departments, as well as local hospitals, to provide emergency services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to **any resident of Meredith** experiencing a mental health crisis, regardless of their ability to pay.

Your investment is an essential component of our funding and is critical to the sustainability of the emergency services program. Genesis Behavioral Health improved the health of 3,274 individuals last year. On behalf of all of them, we thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margaret M. Pritchard".

Margaret M. Pritchard, Executive Director

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## *Supported Outside Agencies*

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### New Hampshire Humane Society

New Hampshire Humane Society provided animal care needs for strays and abandoned animals to the Town of Meredith for the year 2013 for the town's animal care needs. New Hampshire Humane Society, located on Meredith Center Road, Laconia, New Hampshire, is a resource for the constituents of Meredith in matters related to animal welfare, adoption, relinquishment, training, education, and is a community resource for those with pet related needs.

The shelter, NHHS, provides care and comfort, medical and behavioral rehabilitation for those that arrive at our door. Animal control officials or Police Department have 24 hour a day access for strays or abandoned animals from the Town of Meredith.

All animals are spayed or neutered prior to adoption. We offer many programs to the residents of Meredith. Notably two spay/neuter options:

- 1) SNAP Spay Neuter Assistance Program for reduced cost surgical sterilization of privately owned pets,
- 2) Our NO COST Fund for those truly in financial crisis. You can apply to both funds via internet web access. Providing these two options helps reduce the numbers of unwanted kittens and puppies within the Town. We operate a pet food pantry for those who need help feeding their pets.

The Pantry provides the nutritional relief necessary to keep an animal in their home and with the families that love them, avoiding the heart wrenching decision to surrender a pet that has been loved since puppy or kitten hood. We offer education/outreach to students within the Meredith School System. We provide Volunteer opportunities for all over the age of 16. We offer Pet Therapy to three residential and rehabilitation homes in Meredith; Forestview Manor, Golden View Rehabilitation Center and Meredith Bay Colony Club. We encourage meaningful volunteerism and have a vibrant and robust Internship program for college students and those bound for the animal health fields from high school. Our Volunteers logged 8,385 hours of service in 2013.

New Hampshire Humane Society has been an advocate for animals since 1900 originally called the Women's Humane Society, a place that battered women could seek safe harbor, with their children and the family pet. At that time we were but a cluster of safe houses in Nashua and Salem. Over time we developed into the NH Humane Society at the site known by all today. As a registered 501 ( c ) 3 charity, we are pledged to advocate for the animals we serve, speaking for those that cannot speak for themselves. NHHS receives funding only from private donors, like minded stewards, local businesses, and contracts such as the one in place with the Town of Meredith.

Animal activity in 2013 - from the Town of Meredith is as follows:

Transported by Police = 26 (22 dogs - 1 puppy - 2 cats - 1 kitten)

Strays transported by citizens = 22 (7 dogs - 11 cats - 4 kittens)

Pets surrendered from Meredith = 21 (7 dogs - 1 puppy - 12 cats - 1 rabbit -)

Cruelty calls = 1 in 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marylee Gorham

NHHS Director

603-524-3252, ext 309

[www.nhhumane.org](http://www.nhhumane.org)





### The Greater Meredith Program

The Greater Meredith Program (GMP) is a non-profit community economic development organization dedicated to promoting economic vitality, historical and cultural heritage, and town-wide beautification. As GMP pursues these goals through direct advocacy and action, it strives to capture and extend the vision, energy and inter-organizational cooperation that make Meredith such a special place. Our vision for our town is to be a year-round business, service, and recreational and social hub for residents, workforce, and visitors.

In the past ten years, through its many community projects, the GMP has created tens of thousands of dollars of community assets. This does not include the countless in-kind donations of our volunteer's time and talents. The GMP continues to engage a diverse group of community stakeholders dedicated to bringing positive changes to our community. Under the leadership of GMP President Chris Kelly and the GMP Board of Directors, the Greater Meredith Program supported ongoing programs and completed a number of new projects in 2013. Highlights of the year include:

GMP's most significant and successful on-going initiative, the **Career Partnership Program (CPP)** is a public/private partnership between the GMP and the Inter-Lakes School District providing students the opportunity to explore future careers in hands-on working experiences. Run by Executive Director Ronda Hanaway, the program helped 80 students explore varied career opportunities in 2012-2013. The GMP CPP and the Inter-Lakes High School FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) launched "Lakes Regionopoly", an exciting new fundraiser, featuring local business sponsors. Chris Kelly, president of the GMP Board, received the NH Scholars Business Championship Award for his leadership and collaboration with Inter-Lakes High School and the Career Partnership Program.

The All American Display Garden on the lawn of the Meredith Library, an annual partnership of GMP with the Friends of the Meredith Library, was named the Third Place winner in Category 1 of the nationwide AAS Landscape Design Contest on October 7, 2013. The GMP also coordinated the annual July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks Display for the community.

#### **Wicwas Grange Restoration**

The signature project for the GMP in 2013 was the Wicwas Grange in Meredith Center. GMP Board members Chris Williams and Nancy Lavigne donated their time to create a new site design and landscape plan. The GMP Design Committee, members of the Meredith Rotary, local builders and Grange members provided money and labor. Several years ago Grange membership was down to seven and the building faced demolition. Members of the Grange and residents of Meredith Center joined together to revitalize this part of their community's heritage. From this initial vision the idea took on a life of its own as the Grange, the GMP and other local civic groups joined together to help put the "old place" back on the map.

Because of this local effort, not only was the building saved and renovations completed, but the Grange membership increased from seven to almost one hundred. Steve Durand, the current Grand Master of the Grange, could not be more pleased and proud of the Meredith Center community and the role the Greater Meredith Program played in this successful restoration. The Wicwas Grange was recently awarded the "Golden Trowel Award", a Business Economic Improvement Award, for rehabilitation, new landscaping, and other visible improvements, from the Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce.

#### **Meredith Sculpture Walk**

The "Meredith Sculpture Walk" project began in the fall of 2012 with sculptural additions to the Courtyard on Main Street, an award winning park where residents and visitors can sit, relax and view works of art. In 2013 the **GMP Design Committee** decided to expand the display sites into an evolving sculptural walk along the Main Street of town.

The Sculpture Walk Committee, a sub-committee of the Design Committee, has identified 25 ideal locations for sculpture in Meredith, those owned by the Town (parks, etc.), Community Organizations (Historical Society, churches, etc.), businesses (Inns at Mill Falls, etc.) and private Main St. residences. They have begun the process of acquiring permission to display sculpture and install "pods" (platforms) to support work at those sites in 2014.

## Supported Outside Agencies

### The Greater Meredith Program continued...

#### **GMP Board of Directors & Committees**

The Greater Meredith Program's board is comprised of community leaders and town officials who volunteer their time and expertise to advance the mission of the organization. The GMP operates with four committees, Design and Beautification, Fund Raising/Finance, Promotion, and Economic Development. Each committee is comprised of board members and dedicated community volunteers.

The **GMP Promotion Committee** promotes the district, creates image campaigns, retail promotions, and special events to attract residents and visitors to the village. In 2013 they organized a Raffle and Dance in July in conjunction with the Antique Boat Show and a "Spooktacular Series of Events", in October, including a well received Scarecrow contest. The winter season culminated with a "Light Up the Village" campaign with over 20 businesses participating. Along with other community volunteers, they are planning Meredith's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in 2018.

The **GMP Design Committee** provides design advice, plans, organizes and develops projects. The Design/Beautification Committees, have redesigned streetscapes and planted trees adding new life throughout town. The GMP Beautification Committee program, working with the town of Meredith, has laid out a plan to plant over 100 trees in the next 5 years. In addition to their work on the Wicwas Grange, the Design Committee developed plans for the redesign of the corner of Main and Plymouth Streets and along Main Street and hope to implement those projects in 2014.

**GMP Officers and Board Members** for 2013 included: Chris Kelly, *President*, Rob Stephens, *Vice-President*, Dick Pendergast, *Treasurer*, Jacqueline Taylor, *Secretary*, Liz Lapham, *Executive Director* and Jack Carty, John Cook, Ted Fodero, Jeanie Forrester, Audrey Goudie, Dawn Heiderer, Sam Laverak, Bev Lapham, Nancy Lavigne, Miller Lovett, Rusty McLear, Kara Martinez, Frank Michel, Chris Williams and *Ex-officio members*: John Edgar, Mary Ellen Ormond and Phil Warren. New members joining the GMP Board for 2014 are Katheryn Rolfe and Matt Sawyer.

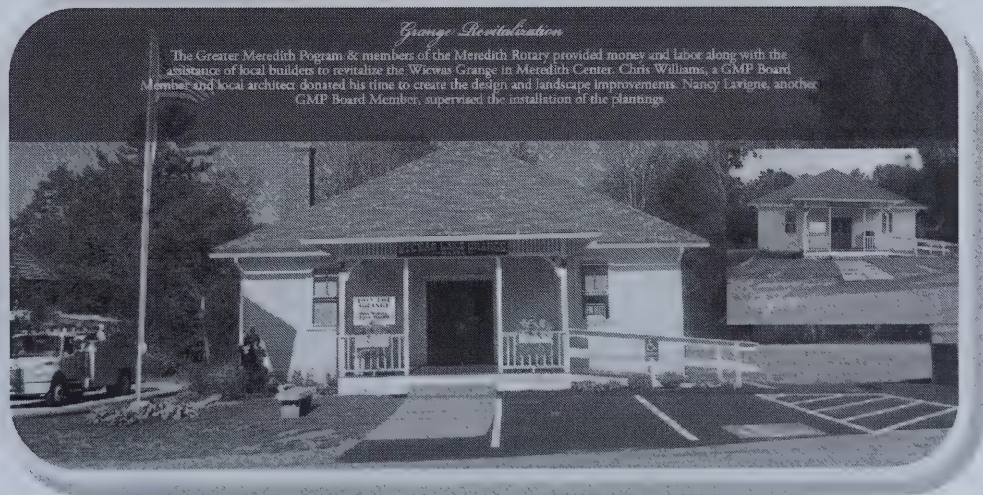
At the GMP 2013 Annual Meeting, Rusty McLear was honored as the GMP Board Member of the Year Award and Ted Fodero was recognized as the GMP Outstanding Volunteer of the Year.

For more information about the GMP or volunteer opportunities, please contact us at 603.279.9015 or [GMP@metrocast.net](mailto:GMP@metrocast.net) or [www.greatermeredithprogram.com](http://www.greatermeredithprogram.com).

On behalf of our Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers, the Greater Meredith Program thanks the Town of Meredith and its residents for their continued support in helping us make Meredith a great place to live, work and play.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Lapham  
Executive Director



## Lakes Region Visiting Nurses Association



Lakes Region Visiting Nurse Association, (formerly Visiting Nurses of Meredith and Center Harbor and Meredith Public Health Nursing Association), is your local non-profit home care/visiting nurse agency serving Meredith, Center Harbor, Moultonborough, and some surrounding towns by request. Our highly skilled, licensed, and professional staff provides nursing, rehabilitation therapies, speech therapy, personal care assistance, well-baby visits, pediatrics, end-of-life care, and senior companion services within the home. Founded in 1923, the agency is a Medicare/Medicaid certified and licensed agency. We were inspected by the State of New Hampshire and Medicare services in November of 2010 and were found to be deficiency free and in compliance with all state and federal regulations. Be sure to visit our website, [www.vnmch.org](http://www.vnmch.org), to help you address and answer questions about your present or future home health care needs. Please remember that we accept all insurances.

Remaining a small community-based visiting nurse agency is important to us. A part of our mission is to provide home care services to Meredith residents based on their need, not their ability to pay. Meredith's community support each year enables us to continue to meet that mission. The present economic environment has led to more residents going without health insurance coverage, yet still in need of home health care services. LRVNA is the only home care agency that provides free home care services to Meredith residents. We are dedicated to providing care to Meredith residents in need. We of course continue to take Medicare, Medicaid, all private insurances, and donations. The Board of Directors is continually working on fundraising projects to help alleviate costs.

LRVNA provides a free blood pressure and foot clinic at the Meredith Community Center (the Senior Center) on the first Wednesday of each month at 12:00 p.m. Our annual seasonal flu clinics are held at our main office, the Meredith Community Center, and several area businesses in addition to being sure our homebound clients receive them. We also continue to be an active member of the local Emergency Preparedness Council, working to keep Meredith prepared for any public health threats and also to keep abreast of current public health concerns.

Our Board of Directors includes our community members: Chairman Chuck Thorndike, Vice-Chair Bob Davis, Secretary Edward Touhey, Treasurer Ray Moritz Sr, Asst Treasurer Rick Goodby, and members Carolyn Schoenbauer, Linda Lee, Jeanie Forrester, Cynthia Schlemmer RN, Harry Viens, and Lydia Torr.

## Lakes Region Visiting Nurses Association

We moved into our permanent home at 186 Waukegan St., Meredith, in the spring of 2011. We provide walk-in services daily from 9 to 10 am and 1 to 2 pm at our Meredith office. Services include blood pressure checks, blood tests including PT/INR testing for Coumadin levels, and simple wound care. We do cholesterol checks by appointment. We ask for small donations for some of these services, but blood pressure is always free. In-office services are for those Meredith residents who are not homebound but require some limited skilled nursing care. One of the goals of the new building is to improve safe access to our office for our daily office hours, along with our home care services. Please stop by and visit our new space anytime. The office is open from 8 am to 4 pm daily, Monday through Friday. LRVNA provided 9160 visits and services to Meredith residents in 2013. Of those, 2547 were nursing, 1927 were rehabilitation therapies, 14 medical social worker visits, 4137 for personal care, 78 were homemaking, and 457 were visits to our office.

The next step in our future is to broaden our Palliative Care Program into a Certified Hospice Program. Please continue to look to us for assistance with end-of-life care and supportive care services.

Memorial gifts were received in memory of: Jan Adams, Ralph Anthony, Kenneth G Baker, Stephen Bass, Robert & Barbara Bennett, Barbara Blake, Leon Clark, Ruby Clark, Raymond Crocker, Mary Davis, John Dole, Rita Driscoll, Dorothy Edson, George Fangmann, Robert Fields, James Findlay, Wally Flynn, Leo Garneau, Ann Gerken, Philip Goddard, Helen Goodridge, Marilyn Grad, Barbara Hart, Sue Hatch, Dolores Hill, Hilton Homer, Jan Howard, Jessie & Alan Howard, Leo Kershaw, Jane H Kiah, Charles Lane, Wilfred Laplante, Mary Ann MacDonald, Tommy Mann, Raymond Marceau, Paul McDonald, Chester Morley, Joseph Nardone, John Nedeau, Robert Nichols, Emil & Tess Noel, Robert P Noland, Joseph Pelczar, Hanako Pocock, Peter Ruel, James Thomas, Robert Tice, Marion Touhey, Richard Woodaman and Esther Wyatt.

As your locally based visiting nurses all of us at **Lakes Region Visiting Nurse Association** are grateful to the residents of Meredith for their ongoing and strong support of this home care agency and its mission to this town.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Gonzalo, RN BSN  
Executive Director



### **Kidworks Learning Center**

Kidworks Learning Center is a non-profit childcare center for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years. We offer a before and after school program, as well as vacation and summer programs. The center provides services for over ninety families in the Lakes Region, a majority of the families living or working in Meredith. Kidworks provides the families with not only quality care and education, but with USDA approved breakfasts, snacks and lunches. In conjunction with the New Hampshire State Scholarship Program, we are able to provide reduced tuition rates for families in need of assistance.

Our philosophy is to provide a stimulating environment for children to learn and express themselves with an emphasis on self-esteem. A variety of activities are provided that gives each child an opportunity to progress at his or her own pace in the major areas of development. We try to implement community outreach programs in our curriculum to instill the importance of helping others and our community.

This was a special year as it marked the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Kidworks Learning Center food drive. It also was the first year that the center teamed up with Mill Falls at the Lake. We both have similar traditions and we thought it would be a greater benefit to the community if we combined our efforts. The children used the funds that were raised to purchase and deliver over 30 bags of groceries to the local food pantry. The center also completed major renovations to our playground. We installed drainage, new fall zones, new fencing, new walkways and added grass sections to the existing playgrounds. The new equipment is currently being built by volunteers and will be installed in the spring. The children are excited for their new playground and have enjoyed watching all the trucks and tractors.

On behalf of the families, staff, and Board of Directors of Kidworks Learning Center, I would like to extend a sincere thank you to the Town of Meredith for its continued support of the center.

Jennifer Weeks  
Executive Director

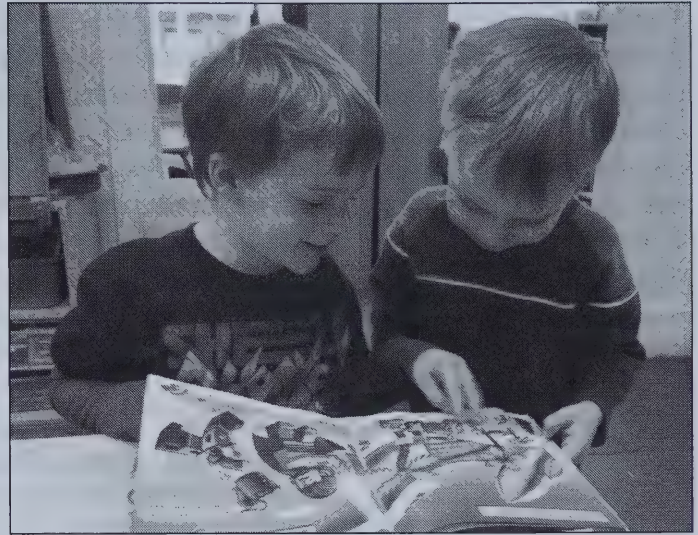


## Inter-Lakes Day Care Center & Nursery School

Good beginnings never end! Increasingly research shows the importance of early childhood programs and practices.

For over 40 years and for two generations of children, Inter-Lakes Day Care Center and Nursery School has provided a solid foundation for a productive future.

Our community's children are supported in all areas of development including personal-social, cognitive, physical, and creative-expressive. They are guided as they develop the skills needed for a successful transition to kindergarten and for their future. Young children are taught in developmentally appropriate ways that meet the children where they are in their learning journey. I-LDCC guides each child to reach challenging yet achievable goals which fosters ongoing development and a love for learning. Simultaneously the child care needs of working parents are met.



Inter-Lakes Day Care Center and Nursery School is a non-profit, licensed, tax-exempt community child care and education agency that provides exceptional and affordable early care and education to a diverse group of children from 6 weeks through 12 years of age. Inter-Lakes Day Care Center promotes comprehensive child development and family support for working parents through infant, toddler, preschool, and school age programs, engaging children in activities that provide learning and brain development opportunities through interactions, experiences, and relationships with peers and teachers. I-LDCC has always supported the well-being of the whole child and provides a warm, nurturing environment.

Inter-Lakes Day Care Center is open on a year-round basis at two sites from 6:30am to 5:30pm, making it possible for parents to maintain employment. The Center offers a full range of services including morning preschool, full and part-time child care, summer and vacation enrichment camps, and USDA approved healthy meals and snacks. Through the federal Child Care and Development Block Grant and the State of New Hampshire, tuition based on income and family size is available for parents who are employed, in training, pursuing a degree or certificate, enrolled in a job search program or temporarily disabled.

On behalf of the Board of Directors I would like to express our sincere thanks to the Town of Meredith for its continued financial support of our agency for residents of Meredith.

Sincerely,

Connie Pelletier  
Executive Director

### Lakes Region Planning Commission

The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is an organization enabled by state law and established by its local municipalities to provide communities and the region with the capacity to respond to and shape the pressures of change in a purposeful way. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to its members. As our economy and world change, so does the work we perform. The Commission offers direct and support services including, but not necessarily limited to, technical assistance, geographic information systems, transportation planning, land use, environmental planning, hazards planning and economic development. Our overall goal is to provide support, knowledge, and guidance to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Some of the services provided on behalf of the Town of Meredith and the region in the past fiscal year are noted below:

#### Outreach

- \* Met with local officials to summarize and compile existing storm water regulations in the state. Developed a draft regulation for the town. Completed a final draft model ordinance and submitted it to the NH Department of Environmental Services for review and comment.
- \* Toured the Lake Waukegan by boat with officials from the Meredith Water Department and identified areas where assistance may be beneficial.
- \* Contacted the Board of Selectmen and Emergency Management Director to discuss the process of updating the town's Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- \* Progress is being made at Hannaford shopping center regarding erecting bus stop signage on the bus route connecting Ossipee and Laconia.
- \* Conducted a field assessment and three special traffic counts at Waukegan Road; prepared a classification count summary.
- \* Met with the town Librarian to discuss public outreach efforts for the Lakes Region Plan.
- \* Provided copies of the NH Planning and Land Use Regulations book to the town at considerable savings.

#### Household Hazardous Waste

- \* Continued the summer tradition of convening the annual Lakes Region Household Hazardous Waste Collections, which were conducted over two consecutive weekends at eight locations. Approximately 1,755 households from 24 Lakes Region communities removed about 19,000 gallons of hazardous products from their homes.
- \* Over the past two years, 6,000 Flipbooks with tips and recipes for Alternatives to Household Hazardous Waste have been distributed.
- \* Continue to participate as a resource to the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility board.

#### Education

- \* Organized and hosted three public Municipal Law Lectures, in cooperation with the NH Local Government Center: 1) Procedural Basics for Planning and Zoning Boards; 2) Religion and Land Use Controls: What Are the Legal Limits? and 3) Innovative Land Use Controls: Reexamining Your Zoning Ordinance.
- \* Convened six Commission meetings and facilitated discussion on: Shore land Water Quality Protection Act at One Year: How is it Doing?; The Shore land Water Quality Act: Are Changes Needed?; NH Department of Transportation Balanced Scoreboard and Audience Participation; Siting Energy Projects in New Hampshire; Milfoil Invasive Species Management Strategies: Challenges and Opportunities; Lakes Region Transportation Improvement Plan.
- \* Held the 45<sup>th</sup> LRPC Annual Meeting at Church Landing in Meredith on June 25 with over 150 people in attendance. The keynote speaker was NH Department of Environmental Services Commissioner Thomas Burack, who talked about the environment and energy. The B. Kimball Ayers Award for outstanding, voluntary contributions to environmental protection was presented to Christopher Conrod of Tamworth and Awards of Appreciation were presented to the founding members of the Lakes Region Clean Waters Association: Donald Foudriat, Peter Karagianis, Esther Peters, and James Walker.

## Lakes Region Planning Commission continued...

### Economic Development

- \* Awarded \$200,000 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Brownfields Program to conduct additional hazardous material assessments in the region over the next two and a half years. This was the only EPA assessment grant received in NH in the past two years.
- \* Worked with regional energy leaders to facilitate a meeting of the Lakes Region Energy Alliance to build capacity to identify economic development opportunities related to energy.
- \* Coordinated with area economic development groups including Belknap Economic Development Council, Grafton County Economic Development Council, Franklin Business and Industrial Development Corporation, Mount Washington Valley Economic Council, and the Wentworth Economic Development Council in pursuit of workforce development and growth opportunities for the region. Serve on the BEDC Board of Directors.
- \* Established a Broadband Stakeholders Group to contribute to the development of a regional Broadband Plan. Several meetings have been conducted around the region, as the plan is now in the plan development stages.
- \* Completed updates of broadband speeds available at key community institutions as part of an ongoing broadband mapping program.
- \* Convened several meetings of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) committee as part of a major update to the CEDS. The draft CEDS was released for public comment last June and approved by the LRPC in September 2013. It is awaiting approval from the U.S. Economic Development Administration.
- \* Completed the 2013 Development Trends Report, an annual survey of local development activity.

### Transportation

- \* Successfully applied for and received \$400,000 to continue an extensive regional transportation planning program through June 2015.
- \* Completed more than 170 traffic and turning movement counts around the region.
- \* Convened several meetings of the LRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in regional transportation planning and project development.
- \* Updated the TAC Member Guidebook.
- \* Completed the NH Route 140 Corridor Study, which included the towns of Alton, Belmont, Gilmanston, Northfield and Tilton.
- \* Assisted with a successful application to fund the expansion of transportation services for the elderly and disabled in Carroll County. Participated in and supported several Mid-State Regional Coordinating Council and Carroll County Regional Coordinating Council meetings. The RCCs advise the State Coordinating Council on public transit issues in their respective locations.
- \* Conducted preliminary research for the start of the Lakes Region Tour Scenic Byways Plan, which takes in portions of US Route 3, and NH Routes 11, 25, 28, 106 and 109.
- \* Completed an analysis, including maps, on the potential future demand for the Winnepesaukee Transit System.
- \* Participated in and reviewed the Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation (GACIT) information relative to Lakes Region projects in the Ten Year Plan (TYP) 2013-2022.
- \* Reviewed and evaluated Lakes Region bridge projects in the state Ten Year Plan in cooperation with District Engineers.
- \* Represent rural areas of the state as a member of the Safe Routes to School State Advisory Committee.

## New Beginnings - A Women's Crisis Center

On behalf of New Beginnings – Without Violence and Abuse, I would like to thank the citizens of the Town of Meredith for their continued support. Your 2013 allocation has enabled us to continue to provide 24-hour crisis intervention, long term support and assistance, and outreach and education to people whose lives have been affected by domestic and sexual violence and stalking in all of Belknap County.

Our organization operates a full-time shelter with a food pantry; staffs a 24-hour crisis line; provides 24-hour advocacy at hospitals and police stations; provides court and social service advocacy; and offers non-judgmental support and advocacy on a one-to-one basis as well as in peer support groups. New Beginnings has programming for children and teens who have witnessed and experienced violence, including resiliency-based programs. Though we serve a small county, the need for services is great. We were able to do a Primary Prevention Program for the whole freshman class. We had advocates in Belknap County courts each working day of this budget year.

New Beginnings also plays a significant role in the greater community. We run outreach activities and offer education programs to businesses, clubs and groups. We also facilitate age-appropriate prevention programs for students in kindergarten through college, including topics such as conflict resolution, bullying, healthy relationships, and dating and sexual violence. We participate in many committees and commissions, including the Belknap County Family Violence Prevention Council, a task force made up of community members and professionals initiated by the Governor's Commission to take a stand against domestic and sexual violence in our county, and the Belknap County Sexual Assault Resource team.

We are 1 of 14 members of the NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, promoting statewide networking and resource sharing among domestic violence and sexual assault programs. The coalition is the evaluating body and administrator of state and federal contracts that provide some funding for member programs.

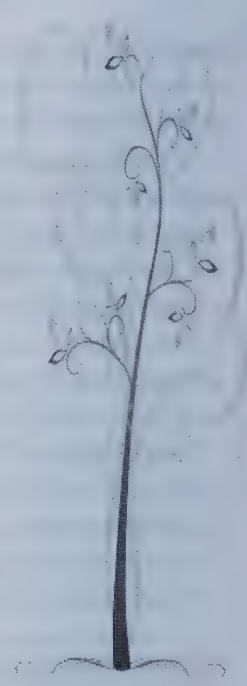
Sincerely,

**Kathy Keller**

Kathy Keller

Executive Director

New Beginnings – Without Violence and Abuse



P.O. Box 622, Laconia, N.H. 03247-0622 603.528.6511  
www.newbeginningsnh.org email: help@newbeginningsnh.org  
Domestic Violence Support Line: 1.866.644.3574  
Sexual Violence Support Line: 1.800.277.5570

## New Hampshire Association for the Blind

*Living Better with Vision Loss for 100 Years*

### Fact Sheet for FY 2013

- \* The New Hampshire Association for the Blind was founded in 1912, in Hancock, NH.
- \* The mission of the New Hampshire Association for the Blind is to advance the independence of persons who are blind and visually impaired.
- \* The New Hampshire Association for the Blind is the only statewide, private, non-profit organization that provides vision rehabilitation services to people of all ages, who are blind or have severe vision impairments.
- \* The Association is fully accredited by the National Accreditation Council for Blind and Low Vision Services.
- \* The Association provides counseling & referral, rehabilitation therapy, orientation & mobility instruction, low vision services, volunteer services, as well as education services for school-age children.
- \* The Association's professional staff provided individual visual rehabilitation services to 899 persons. An additional 90 individuals participated in group services.
- \* 67% of clients are women and 33% are men; 72% of clients are 60+ years of age with the highest number of clients falling in the 80's age group.
- \* Volunteers provided 2,668 service hours.
- \* Of the major eye conditions, 41% of clients suffer from Macular Degeneration, 17% from Cataract, 8% from Diabetic Retinopathy, 13% from Glaucoma, and 5% from Retinitis Pigmentosa.
- \* This year, the Association received 451 new referrals.
- \* 41 public education presentations were made to an audience of 3,707 people.
- \* 30% of clients voluntarily report financial data. Of those reporting, 20% have incomes of less than \$10,000 and 26% have incomes ranging from \$10,000 - \$20,000.
- \* No one is ever denied access to services due to inability to pay, and services are provided in every community of New Hampshire and along the borders, for as long as they are needed.
- \* 72% of annual operating support comes from philanthropic contributions from individuals, foundation and corporate grants, trusts, service organizations and endowment spending draw.
- \* All funds raised in New Hampshire stay in New Hampshire.



Shelley M. Proulx, MBA, CFRE  
Vice President for Development

## Winnepesaukee Wellness Center

Dear Residents of the Town of Meredith:

The Winnepesaukee Wellness Center members thank you for your continued support of the Center in 2013. As you may know, the Winnepesaukee Wellness Center is a medically supervised program that is a self-supporting department of LRGHealthcare. Its mission is to promote health responsibility, to provide a safe, comfortable site to exercise, to provide ongoing support and encouragement of healthy lifestyle habits and to promote active lifestyles. An Advisory Committee consisting of members, interested community members, and LRGH management team meet monthly and oversee the Center's operations.

The Center depends on the support from surrounding towns and fundraisers to keep the member fees affordable for members of the community. In 2013, 15 per cent of the membership are residents of Meredith and benefit from the services available to them at the Center. The members range in age from 42-94.

The Center is open three days per week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6am to 4pm. The program is not just an exercise program as the members benefit from the oversight and experience of a Registered Nurse who helps design an individualized exercise program to meet their needs. The members also benefit from the social aspect of the center and often attend luncheons or go to coffee after exercise which is an important aspect of many members' lives.

The monthly fee for the program is \$50.00 per person and \$80.00 per couple. Financial assistance is available to those who qualify.

We invite you to come and see the Center in action during the regular hours of operation or call 253-1839 for information.

Sincerely,  
The Winnepesaukee Wellness Center Advisory Committee





## The Unknown Soldier

Some call me POW...  
Some call me MIA...  
Some say I can't go home again  
Some say I choose to stay.

I'm a sailor and a scholar  
I'm the boy who lived next door  
I'm the poet and the dropout  
You sent to fight your war.

If you would look around you  
You would see my face  
That man standing next to you  
Could be here in my place.

I'm the unknown soldier  
Who you refuse to know  
I'm the brother and the friend  
You left so long ago.

I'm the unknown soldier  
Who dreamed you'd rescue me  
I'm the man who understands  
Only death will set me free.

I'm the unknown soldier  
The one for who you cried  
I'm the one that you can't face  
The one they told you died.

I'm a farmer from Missouri  
A soldier from St. Paul  
I'm a sister's hero  
I'm a name on the wall.

How could you just forget me?  
Should I forget you too?  
You must try and bring me home  
For I belong to you.

We fought that war together  
At Mugia and Pleiku  
Had you been the one we left  
I would have come for you.

I'm the unknown soldier  
The one you left behind  
I'm the country boy from Texas  
Who you never tried to find.

I'm the unknown soldier  
Whose cries are all in vain  
Would you finally come for me  
If you could feel my pain?

I'm the unknown soldier  
Who longs to be free  
When you called I answered  
How will you answer me?

I'm someone's long-lost daddy  
I'm my father's pride and joy  
I was someone's gentle lover  
And someone's little boy.

My country has betrayed me  
But I've forgiven you  
And every night I pray to God  
That he'll forgive you too.

I want to lie down beside you  
I want to die in your arms  
I just want you to hold me  
And, help me to hang on.

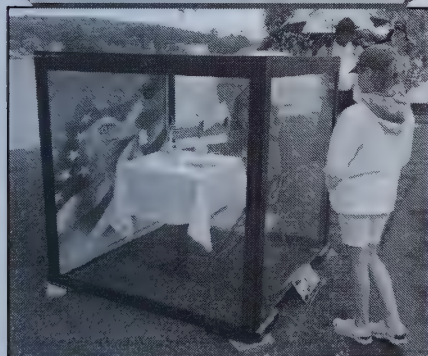
I'm the unknown soldier  
With no more tears to shed  
I'm the ghost of Christmas past  
I'm the living dead.

I'm tired and I'm hungry  
I'm lonely and I'm cold  
I'm the unknown soldier  
Whose been bought and sold.

I'm the unknown soldier  
The one you threw away  
Some call me POW...  
Some call me MIA...

By: Patty O'Grady, Daughter of Col. John O'Grady, Presumed captured border Laos/Vietnam, April 10, 1967

### POW/MIA TABLE SERVICE



The small empty table with the white cloth, single rose, red ribbon, slice of lemon, salt, inverted glass and empty chair is much more than merely an absence.

The slice of lemon on the plate reminds us of their bitter fate.

The salt symbolizes the families' tears as they wait.

The glass is inverted – they cannot toast with us.

The chair is empty because they are not here.

The rose symbolizes the families and loved ones who keep the faith waiting for their return. The small table, symbolizes the frailty of the prisoners alone against their oppressors. The white cloth, symbolizing the purity of their intentions to respond to their Country's call to arms.

The red ribbon is reminiscent of the red ribbon worn upon the lapel and breast of thousands who bear witness to their unyielding determination to demand a proper accounting of our missing.

## *Vital Statistics*

### **Births**

<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Child's Name</i>	<i>Father's/Partner's Name</i>	<i>Mother's Name</i>
02/22/13	Hurd, Cole Wesley	Hurd, James	Glover, Victoria
02/26/13	Champlain, Hunter George	Champlain, Brad	Champlain, Carolyn
02/28/13	Fuller, Kaylee Marie	Fuller, William	Fuller, Rebecca
03/04/13	Lutz, Rome Alexander	Lutz, Cory	Barry, Chelsea
03/11/13	Tucker, Joshua Michael	Tucker, Tyler	Santiago, Quetsy
03/29/13	Moneysmith, Stella Mae	Moneysmith, Graham	Moneysmith, Amanda
04/24/13	Hamill, Caye Marie	Hamill, Locke	Hamill, Wendy
05/17/13	Broers, Tessa Lee	Broers, Shaun	Tinker, Michele
05/20/13	Hallett, Greyson Robert	Hallett, Jeremy	Hallett, Keri
06/04/13	Litalien, Cora Lynn	Litalien, Justin	Litalien, Jamie
06/24/13	Bolduc, Quinn Ernest	Bolduc, Brian	Bolduc, Martha
07/09/13	Chevalier, Henry John	Chevalier, Steven	Chevalier, Susan
07/15/13	Murray, Aleian Je		Humiston, Rhonda
08/06/13	Stevenson, Elin Barbara	Stevenson, Eric	Stevenson, Lindsay
08/07/13	Hann, Parker Thomas	Hann, Corey	Hann, Lindsay
08/08/13	Leonard, Paxton Avery	Leonard Jr, Barry	Leonard, Heather
08/09/13	Tourville, Charlotte Elizabeth	Tourville, Adam	Tourville, Kathryn
08/14/13	Flanders, Evan Richard	Flanders, Mark	Flanders, Nicole
08/24/13	Pearson, Declan Charles	Pearson, Jonathan	Pearson, Erin
09/25/13	MacDonald, Alexis, Mae	MacDonald, James	Linville, Laura
10/07/13	Page, Evelyn Faye	Page, Timothy	Page, Bonnie
10/10/13	Schaub, Paityn Elizabeth Ferne	Schaub, Adam	Sticht, Cassi
10/30/13	Abbott, Skyla Blue		Abbott, Brittney
11/08/13	Porter, Lillianna Pearl	Porter, Michael	Blackey, Kristin
11/23/13	Grinavic, Kaleb James	Grinavic, Brian	Grinavic, Rebecca
12/11/13	Matthew III, Jeffrey James	Matthew Jr, Jeffrey	Brown, Stephanie
12/11/13	Matthew, Jordyn Elizabeth	Matthew Jr, Jeffrey	Brown, Stephanie

## *Vital Statistics*

### Marriages

<i>Date of Marriage</i>	<i>Person A's</i>		<i>Person B's</i>	
	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>
01/26/13	Hart Sr, James J	Meredith	Angwin, Cynthia J	Concord
03/14/13	Staubitz, Travis H	Meredith	Bolstridge, Stacy L	Meredith
04/06/13	Jarry, James A	Gilmanton	Smith, Sherrey A	Meredith
04/22/13	Cousins, Dustin A	Meredith	Burgess, Wendy M	Meredith
04/27/13	Libby, Kyle R	Freedom	Tellier, Sarah A	Meredith
05/25/13	McCrea, Gary W	Laconia	Wetherbee, Laura J	Meredith
05/25/13	Lounsbury, Ryan C	Meredith	King, Molly J	Meredith
07/28/13	Osier, Jonathan M	Meredith	Salas, Rubelyn Jean M	Meredith
08/23/13	Chace III, Henry B	Meredith	Longo, George B	Meredith
09/27/13	Wood, Jordon M	Meredith	Abbott, Tristan E	Meredith
10/05/13	Gerry, Timothy M	Meredith	Bedard, Tabitha J	Meredith
10/12/13	Crowder, Scott M	Meredith	Isaacson, Chelsea L	Meredith
10/12/13	Doane, Nathan A	Selkirk, NY	Browher, Katelyn A	Meredith
10/13/13	Billin, Chavah	Meredith	Crisovan, Piper L	Meredith
10/13/13	MacDonald, James R	Meredith	Linville, Laura E	Meredith
10/19/13	Haines, Jason L	Meredith	McGuire, Kaitlyn A	Meredith
12/14/13	Mooney, Michael T	Meredith	Peets, Angela M	Meredith
12/23/13	Pazzani, John P	Meredith	Waring, Melissa M	Meredith

## *Vital Statistics*

### Deaths

<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Decedent's Name</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>	<i>Father's Name</i>	<i>Mother's Maiden Name</i>
01/01/13	Ash Sr, Michael	Meredith	Ash Sr, Thomas	Baldwin, Norma
01/03/13	Coyne, Thomas	Meredith	Coyne, Robert	Park, Judy
01/04/13	Pike, Joyce	Meredith	Fortier, Albert	Goss, Gertrude
01/06/13	Foster III, Elliot	Meredith	Foster Jr, Elliot	Gangla, Elsie
01/12/13	Goodridge, Helen	Laconia	Moran, John	Unknown, Helen
01/25/13	Page, Edith	Meredith	Thomas, Noel	Knowles, Alice
01/27/13	Starke, Eleanor	Laconia	Ott, Ernest	Engel, Kuni
01/31/13	Gibbs III, Edward	Meredith	Gibbs Jr, Edward	Petts, Blanche
02/02/13	King, Nino	Lebanon	King, William	Van Ooijen, Francisca
02/06/13	Heffron, William	Laconia	Heffron, Conrad	Lettau, Marjorie
02/06/13	Wood, Richard	Meredith	Wood, Reginald	Robinson, Irene
02/07/13	Kimball, Clyde	Meredith	Kimball, Richard	Quint, Marilyn
02/09/13	Berkowitz, Dolores	Meredith	Soyer, Samuel	Faggen, Esther
02/12/13	Cutter, Mearl	Laconia	Cutter, Frank	Phillips, Margaret
02/24/13	Whitcher, Clara	Meredith	Landon, Luther	Nelson, Irene
02/28/13	Holbrook, Mildred	Meredith	Holbrook, Alphonso	Shepard, Julia
02/28/13	Trifari, Helen	Meredith	Murphy, Edward	Rowland, Elizabeth
03/05/13	Miller, Helen	Meredith	Mooney, Frank	Morin, Eva
03/12/13	Pratt, Harriet	Meredith	Elkind, Benjamin	Grossman, Hannah
03/14/13	Smith, Shirley	Meredith	Bennett, Leston	Mills, Doris
03/24/13	Montanino, Margaret	Meredith	Kovach, Gerorge	Nemeth, Mary
03/27/13	Elwell, Irene	Meredith	Kempa, Walter	Augustiniak, Katherine
03/27/13	Berg Jr, Ralph	Meredith	Berg Sr, Ralph	Emerson, Ruth
03/30/13	Dallacosta, Margaret	Laconia	Bownan, William	Hoarde, Mary
04/03/13	Bennett Sr, Robert	Laconia	Bennett, Norman	Horgan, Mary
04/13/13	Stewart, Florence	Meredith	Conlon, Aloysius	Ward, Amelia
04/15/13	Brosseau, Ruth	Meredith	Uhlman, Harry	Broad, Hilma
04/16/13	Walrath, Nancy	Meredith	Meyer, Robert	Escott, Loraine
04/16/13	Maul, Charles	Concord	Maul, William	Kell, Netta
04/18/13	Brehm, Barbara	Meredith	Hebb, Albert	Aninger, Ottlia
04/22/13	William, Pyhllis	Meredith	Mathews, Winfield	Ewens, Velma

## *Vital Statistics*

### Deaths

<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Decedent's Name</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>	<i>Father's Name</i>	<i>Mother's Maiden Name</i>
04/25/13	Ellis, Linda	Meredith	Ellis, Joseph	Hamilton, Lena
04/30/13	Jamison, Patricia	Meredith	McMillan, Dr C B	Bonham, Velah
05/13/13	Locke, Carol	Meredith	Locke Sr, Roy	Talbot, Marjorie
05/17/13	French, Johnathon	Meredith	French, Marshall	Hagland, Agusta
05/21/13	Morin, Erika	Meredith	Pilot, Karl	Dudek, Gertrude
05/25/13	Champoux, Kathryn	Meredith	Collins, Edgar	Weast, Anna
06/02/13	Craig, Margaret	Meredith	Drew, Charles	Hurney, Margaret
06/03/13	Goddard Sr, Claude	Meredith	Goddard, Geroge	Widden, Margaret
06/05/13	Gillis, Grace	Laconia	Sargent, George	Fulger, Mary
06/07/13	Chase Sr, Wayne	Laconia	Chase Sr, Carl	Watson, Marion
06/08/13	Obelenus, Elizabeth	Boscawen	Obelenus Sr, Thomas	Memmu, Helen
06/11/13	Thomas Sr, James	Meredith	Thomas, Kenneth	Sears, Barbara
06/12/13	Dunnell, Patricia	Meredith	Ceresole, Paul	Bird, Linda
06/14/13	Edney, Bethany	Meredith	Gessner, Jason	Stickney, Effie
06/15/13	Dahood, Helen	Laconia	Sargeant, Carl	Simpson, Adele
06/25/13	Kallmerten, Alice	Meredith	Waugh Sr, Lewis	Rohr, Brenice
06/25/13	Kneeland, Walter	Meredith	Kneeland, Ralph	Mann, Jennie
07/05/13	Bergeron, Marilyn	Meredith	Hamel, Henry	Lowell, Ethel
07/12/13	Field, Robert	Meredith	Field, Evan	Roloff, Margaret
07/25/13	Dewolf, Doris	Meredith	Remick, Edwin	Bailey, Alice
08/03/13	Bertholet, Richard	Meredith	Bertholet, Julius	Beauvais, Frances
08/04/13	Knight, Frank	Meredith	Knight, Frank	Howe, Elwanor
08/04/13	Barton, Jerry	Meredith	Barton, Jerry	Critchett, Jane
08/15/13	Woodman, Phyllis	Meredith	Fleury, Alfred	Adams, Ethel
08/19/13	Farnam, Bernice	Meredith	Bainbridge, William	Fields, Emma
08/22/13	Greenfield, Arthur	Meredith	Greenfield, Arthur	Tierney, Hazel
08/26/13	Barry, David	Meredith	Barry, Phillip	Cinq-Mars, Celeste
08/26/13	Hounsell, Adrienne	Meredith	Landry, Joseph	Daignault, Laura
08/26/13	Demers, Ronald	Loudon	Demers, Anthime	Boucher, Lena
09/02/13	Phinney, Martha	Laconia	Boynton, Nathaniel	Shaw, Leona
09/06/13	Vangelder, Irene	Meredith	Griffiths, Benjamin	Gray, Margaret

## *Vital Statistics*

### Deaths continued...

<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Decedent's Name</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>	<i>Father's Name</i>	<i>Mother's Maiden Name</i>
09/11/13	Findlay Jr, James	Meredith	Findlay Sr, James	Lichtenberg, Margaret
10/02/13	Kimball, Roland	Meredith	Kimball, Robert	Eryou, Beatrice
10/08/13	Noland, Loren	Concord	Noland, Geroge	Lobingier, Pearl
10/15/13	Flanagan, Myrna	Laconia	Niles, Lawton	Hackett, Dorothy
10/20/13	Andersen, Trygve	Franklin	Andersen, Niles	Lundberg, Jenny
10/26/13	Wilkerson, Raleigh	Laconia	Wilkerson, John	Jensen, Florence
11/04/13	Blake, Orris	Meredith	Blake, Marvin	Drake, Anna
11/05/13	Johnson, Sadie	Meredith	Johnson, Daniel	Ellbey, Alice
11/06/13	Barach, Robert	Meredith	Barach, Howard	Abrams, Ethel
11/07/13	Montanino, Andrew	Meredith	Montanino, Pietro	Nunziata, Michelina
11/08/13	Ticehurst, Carlton	Meredith	Ticehurst, Carl	Merriam, Anna
11/10/13	Howard Sr, Wesley	Meredith	Howard, Maurice	Elder, Lillian
11/18/13	Grad, Marilyn	Laconia	Moody, Clifford	Dyer, Louise
11/19/13	Tice, Robert	Laconia	Tice, John	Tomkins, Grace
11/20/13	Brough, Deborah	Laconia	Brough, George	Blake, Frances
11/28/13	Richard, Raymond	Meredith	Richard, Clement	Dery, Rachel
11/29/13	McAndrew, Robert	Meredith	McAndrew, Edward	Gellrich, Hazel
12/01/13	Karp, Veronica	Laconia	Gardzina, Peter	Gazda, Helena
12/05/13	Lindsey, Esther	Meredith	Haavisto, Kostie	Heino, Helen
12/08/13	Perez, Xavier	Laconia	Perez, Juan	Rodriguez, Iris
12/10/13	Laporte Jr, Rudolph	Meredith	Laporte Sr, Rudolph	Lynch, Rose
12/12/13	Lee, Bertha	Meredith	Rheume, Ezra	Landry, Ora
12/12/13	Governanti, Anthony	Laconia	Governanti, Michael	Difranco, Antoinette
12/17/13	Stone, Doris	Meredith	Clinkard, Alfred	Clarke, Mary
12/17/13	Morrill, Mary	Meredith	Maguire, William	Ulrich, Eva
12/24/13	Faille, Leona	Laconia	Brule, Mastai	Patnaude, Rosina
12/27/13	Eastman, Lee	Laconia	Eastman, Frank	Hammell, Ilene
12/28/13	Flanagan, Lois	Meredith	Doughty, Francis	Pfau, Mary
12/29/13	Eddy Jr, William	Meredith	Eddy Sr, William	Keefe, Claire

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013  
(Unaudited)



*Photos provided by: Bettina Ford*

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Group

	Governmental Fund Types				Fiduciary Fund Types		Account Group		Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special	Capital		Trust and		General Long-		
		Revenue	Projects	Agency	Term Debt				
<b>Assets &amp; Other Debts</b>									
<u>Assets</u>									
Cash & Equivalents	\$ 9,155,018	\$ 2,200,769	\$ 60,330	\$ 2,490,795	\$		\$		13,906,912
Investments			128,790	982,982					1,111,772
Receivables (Net of Allowances for Uncollectibles)									
Taxes	1,188,257								1,188,257
Accounts	298,038	233,103		336,405					867,546
Special Assessments-Current	4,995								4,995
Special Assessments-Noncurrent	26,831								26,831
Other	9,818								9,818
Interfund Receivable	442,422								442,422
Intergovernmental Receivable									
Statutory Tax Liens Receivable	101,596								101,596
Statutory Tax Liens Reserved Until Collected	(101,596)								(101,596)
<u>Other Debits</u>									
Compensated Absences							441,170		441,170
Amount to be provided for Retirement of									
General Long-Term Debt							6,778,007		6,778,007
<b>Total Assets &amp; Other Debts</b>	\$11,125,378	\$ 2,433,872	\$ 189,120	\$ 3,810,182	\$		\$	7,219,177	\$ 24,777,729

# Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups

## Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group		Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects		General Long-Term Debt		
<b>Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>							
<u>Liabilities</u>							
Accounts Payable	\$ 47,213	\$ 3,382	\$	\$ -	\$ -	\$	50,595
Retainage Payable							
Intergovernmental Payable	6,906,007						6,906,007
Interfund Payable							
Escrow & Performance Deposits				146,569			146,569
Deferred Revenue							
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable				336,405			336,405
General Obligation Debt Payable					6,778,007		6,778,007
Compensated Absences Payable					441,170		441,170
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>\$ 6,953,220</u>	<u>\$ 3,382</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 482,974</u>	<u>\$ 7,219,177</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>14,658,753</u>
<b>Equity</b>							
<u>Fund Balances</u>							
Reserved for Encumbrances	363,038	126,886					489,924
Reserved for Special Purposes	1,286,595	1,622,818	189,120	3,327,208			6,425,741
Reserved for Capital Recovery		160,000					160,000
<u>Unreserved</u>							
Designated for Special Purposes	2,522,526	520,786					3,043,312
Undesignated (Deficit)	4,172,159	2,430,490	189,120	3,327,208			10,118,977
<b>Total Equity</b>	<u>4,172,159</u>	<u>2,430,490</u>	<u>189,120</u>	<u>3,327,208</u>			<u>10,118,977</u>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	<u>\$ 11,125,378</u>	<u>\$ 2,433,872</u>	<u>\$ 189,120</u>	<u>\$ 3,810,182</u>	<u>\$ 7,219,177</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>24,777,729</u>

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Special Revenue Funds - Combining Balance Sheet

	Public Library	Conservation Commission	D.A.R.E. Program	Cable Franchise Fee	Boat Launch Fee	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>								
Cash & Equivalents	\$ 31,885	\$ 180,254	\$ 532	\$ 467,756	\$ 45,700	\$ 572,522	\$ 902,121	\$ 2,200,769
Receivables (Net of Allowances for Uncollectables)								
Accounts						47,576	185,527	233,103
Interfund Receivable								
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 31,885</u>	<u>\$ 180,254</u>	<u>\$ 532</u>	<u>\$ 467,756</u>	<u>\$ 45,750</u>	<u>\$ 620,098</u>	<u>\$ 1,087,647</u>	<u>\$ 2,433,871</u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>								
<u>Liabilities</u>								
Accounts Payable	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 771	\$ 2,611	\$ 3,382
Deferred Rev.- Access Fees								
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 771</u>	<u>\$ 2,611</u>	<u>\$ 3,382</u>
<u>Equity</u>								
<u>Fund Balances</u>								
Reserved for Encumbrances	\$	\$ 8,021	\$	\$	\$	\$ 33,180	\$ 85,685	\$ 126,886
Reserved for Special Purposes	31,885	172,233	532	467,756	45,700	267,062	508,078	1,493,245
Reserved for Capital Recovery						160,000	129,573	160,000
<u>Unreserved</u>							361,701	520,786
Unreserved/Undesignated						159,085		
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<u>\$ 31,885</u>	<u>\$ 180,254</u>	<u>\$ 532</u>	<u>\$ 467,756</u>	<u>\$ 45,700</u>	<u>\$ 619,327</u>	<u>\$ 1,085,036</u>	<u>\$ 2,430,490</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u>\$ 31,885</u>	<u>\$ 180,254</u>	<u>\$ 532</u>	<u>\$ 467,756</u>	<u>\$ 45,700</u>	<u>\$ 620,098</u>	<u>\$ 1,087,647</u>	<u>\$ 2,433,871</u>

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Capital Project Funds - Combining Balance Sheet

	Community Center	Landfill Closure	Total
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash & Equivalents	\$ 7,230	\$ 53,100	\$ 60,330
Investments	128,790		128,790
Interfund Receivable			
Total Assets	<u>\$ 136,020</u>	<u>\$ 53,100</u>	<u>\$ 189,120</u>
<u>Liabilities &amp; Fund Balances</u>			
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Accounts Payable	\$	\$	\$
Due to General Fund			
Retainage Payable			
Total Liabilities	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>Fund Balances</u>			
Reserve for Encumbrances	\$	\$	\$
Reserve for Special Purposes	136,020	53,100	189,120
<u>Unreserved</u>			
Undesignated (Deficit)			
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$ 136,020</u>	<u>\$ 53,100</u>	<u>\$ 189,120</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	<u>\$ 136,020</u>	<u>\$ 53,100</u>	<u>\$ 189,120</u>

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Trust and Agency Funds - Combining Balance Sheets

	Trust Funds						Totals
	Expendable			Nonexpendable			
	Capital			Agency Funds			
	Library	Reserve	Others	Town	Library	Funds	
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash & Equivalents	\$ .	\$ 300,883	\$ 2,012,062	\$ 31,281	\$ .	\$ 146,569	\$ 2,490,795
Investments	144,860			74,533	763,589		982,982
<u>Receivables</u>							
Interest							
Accounts						336,405	336,405
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 144,860</u>	<u>\$ 300,883</u>	<u>\$ 2,012,062</u>	<u>\$ 105,814</u>	<u>\$ 763,589</u>	<u>\$ 482,974</u>	<u>\$ 3,810,182</u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>							
<u>Liabilities</u>							
Interfund Payable							
Escrow and Performance Deposits						146,569	146,569
Deferred Comp. Benefits Payable						336,405	336,405
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>\$ .</u>	<u>\$ .</u>	<u>\$ .</u>	<u>\$ .</u>	<u>\$ .</u>	<u>\$ 482,974</u>	<u>\$ 482,974</u>
<u>Fund Balances</u>							
Reserved For Endowments							
Reserved For Special Purposes	144,860	300,883	2,012,062	105,814	763,589		3,327,208
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>144,860</u>	<u>300,883</u>	<u>2,012,062</u>	<u>105,814</u>	<u>763,589</u>		<u>3,327,208</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>	<u>\$ 144,860</u>	<u>\$ 300,883</u>	<u>\$ 2,012,062</u>	<u>\$ 105,814</u>	<u>\$ 763,589</u>	<u>\$ 482,974</u>	<u>\$ 3,810,182</u>

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### Agency Funds - Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities

*Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)*

	Balance 1/1/2013	Additions	Deductions	Balance 12/31/2013
<b>Developers' Performance Bond Fund</b>				
<u>Assets:</u>				
Cash & Equivalents	\$ 151,800	\$ 815	\$ 6,046	\$ 146,569
<u>Liabilities:</u>				
Escrow and Performance Deposits	\$ 151,800	\$ 815	\$ 6,046	\$ 146,569
<b>ICMA Deferred Compensation Plan</b>				
<u>Assets:</u>				
Due From Others	\$ 292,114	\$ 44,311	\$ 20	\$ 336,405
<u>Liabilities:</u>				
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	\$ 292,114	\$ 44,311	\$ 20	\$ 336,405
<b>Total - All Agency Funds</b>				
Cash & Equivalents	\$ 151,800	\$ 815	\$ 6,046	\$ 146,569
Due From Others	292,114	44,311	20	336,405
<u>Total Assets</u>	\$ 443,915	\$ 45,126	\$ 6,066	\$ 482,974
Escrow and Performance Deposits	\$ 151,800	\$ 815	\$ 6,046	\$ 146,569
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	292,114	44,311	20	336,405
<u>Total Liabilities</u>	\$ 443,915	\$ 45,126	\$ 6,066	\$ 482,974

### Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds

*Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)*

Non-Expendable Trusts	Purpose	Beginning Balance 1/1/2013	Total Deposits	Total (Withdrawals)	Period Interest	Ending Balance 12/31/2013
WWII Memorial	Upkeep	\$ 2,626	\$	\$	\$	\$ 2,626
Outlying Cemeteries	Cemetery Care	74,522			11	74,533
Ebon S. Roberts	Library	299				299
Edwin E. Beede	Library	93,602			13	93,615
Samuel W. Rollins	Library	4,476			1	4,477
J. Bennett/E. Swain	Library	690				690
William E. Bixby	Library	150				150
Nichiporuk Fund	Library	627,395	42,579			669,974
Hattie R. Erskine	Library Clock	293				293
George S. Fogg	School District	3,155				3,155
Town Cemetery	General	7,413			1	7,414
Caroline M. Swift	Cemetery Wreath	758				758
J. Beede Cemetery	Perpetual Care	11,417			2	11,419
	<b>Total Permanent Funds</b>	<u>\$ 826,796</u>	<u>\$ 42,579</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 28</u>	<u>\$ 869,403</u>

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Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds

Expendable Trusts	Purpose	Beginning Balance 1/1/2013	Total Deposits	Total (Withdrawals)	Period Interest	Ending Balance 12/31/2013
Cemetery Maintenance	Maintenance	\$ 20,265	\$	\$	\$ 3	\$ 20,268
Employee Benefits	Severance	161,436	25,000		117	186,553
Improvement Fund	Library	170,216	7,174	32,531		144,860
Landfill Closure	Landfill Closure	50,803			36	50,840
Municipal Building	Additional Space	176				176
Solid Waste	Replace Trailer	25,515	25,000		19	50,534
Fire Department	Communications	1,112			1	1,112
Fire Department	Replace Vehicle	164,164	275,000	74,733		364,431
Municipal Technology	Software Upgrade	61,399			44	61,443
Open Space/Conservation	Conservation	39,156			19	39,175
Waterfront Infrastructure Improve	Waterfront Improve	94,944			203	95,147
Meredith Parking	Parking	221,763			303	222,066
Ground Water Source Study	Water Study	69,185		40,293	8	28,901
Main Street Rehabilitation	Infrastructure Improve	50,393			36	50,430
Parks & Recreation Facility Im-	Infrastructure Improve	1			7	8
Water Systems Improvement Trust	Infrastructure Improve	232,727			139	232,866
DPW Equipment Replacement	Replace DPW Equip.	235,000	200,000	252,139	37	370,603
Total Town Expendable Trusts:		<u>\$ 1,598,255</u>	<u>\$ 532,174</u>	<u>\$ 399,695</u>	<u>\$ 973</u>	<u>\$ 1,731,707</u>
School - SPED	Special Education	150,282			22	150,305
ILES Playground	Playground Equipment	100,034	30,000		15	130,050
Total All Expendable Trusts:		<u>\$ 1,848,572</u>	<u>\$ 562,174</u>	<u>\$ 399,695</u>	<u>\$ 1,011</u>	<u>\$ 2,012,062</u>

Capital Reserves	Beginning Balance 1/1/2013	Total Deposits	Total (Withdrawals)	Period Interest	Ending Balance 12/31/2013
Police	\$ 13,329	\$	\$ 8,266	\$ 1	\$ 5,064
Prescott Park Expansion	5,099			1	5,100
Total Town Capital Reserves	<u>\$ 18,428</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 8,266</u>	<u>\$ 2</u>	<u>\$ 11,570</u>
School Facilities Maintenance Fund	284,892			43	284,935
Inter-Lakes School District	5,782			1	5,783
Total All Capital Reserves	<u>\$ 309,103</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 8,266</u>	<u>\$ 46</u>	<u>\$ 300,883</u>

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Long-Term Indebtedness

Long-term debt payable at December 31, 2013 is comprised of the following individual issues:

Description of Issue	Original Amount	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Interest Rate %	Outstanding at 12/31/13
General Obligation Debt Payable					
1988 Water Improve Bond	\$ 2,000,000	1988	2015	3.304%	\$ 250,000
2002 Plymouth St/Rte 3 North Bond	\$ 637,467	2002	2022	3.728%	\$ 344,672
2004 Conservation Bond	\$ 500,000	2004	2014	3.990%	\$ 49,994
2004 East Bluff Village Sewer Bond	\$ 115,381	2004	2014	3.870%	\$ 11,538
2005 Community Center Bond	\$ 3,500,000	2005	2025	4.000%	\$ 2,100,000
2007 Police Station Bond	\$ 1,500,000	2007	2016	3.990%	\$ 421,463
2010 Fire Station Bond	\$ 2,292,882	2010	2019	3.800%	\$ 1,310,632
2010 Page Pond Conservation	\$ 400,000	2010	2018	3.800%	\$ 189,811
2012 Bundled Water/Sewer/Roads	\$ 1,007,150	2012	2027	2.485%	\$ 944,000
Total General Obligation Debt Payable - December 31, 2013					<u>\$ 5,622,110</u>

### Annual Requirements To Amortize General Obligation Debt:

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2013	Governmental Fund Debt		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	\$ 867,756	\$ 213,646	\$ 1,081,402
2015	\$ 808,452	\$ 182,412	\$ 990,864
2016	\$ 658,188	\$ 152,009	\$ 810,197
2017	\$ 540,046	\$ 128,286	\$ 668,332
2018-2027	\$ 2,747,668	\$ 479,544	\$ 3,227,212
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 5,622,110</u>	<u>\$ 1,155,897</u>	<u>\$ 6,778,007</u>

### Compensated Absences Payable

Vacation and Sick Leave Including Benefits	<u>\$ 441,170</u>
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# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Comparative Statement of Revenues - General Fund

	Estimated	Actual	Over (Under) Budget
<b><u>Taxes</u></b>			
Property	\$ 24,827,021	\$ 24,827,021	\$ -
Yield	3,800	4,315	515
Boat	30,000	31,167	1,167
Current Land Use Change Tax			
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	189,450	191,731	2,281
Total Taxes	<u>\$ 25,050,271</u>	<u>\$ 25,054,234</u>	<u>\$ 3,963</u>
<b><u>Licenses and Permits</u></b>			
Motor Vehicle Permits	1,200,000	1,199,774	(226)
Building Permits	41,200	41,980	780
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	63,450	66,273	2,823
Total Licenses and Permits	<u>\$ 1,304,650</u>	<u>\$ 1,308,027</u>	<u>\$ 3,377</u>
<b><u>Intergovernmental Revenues</u></b>			
<b><u>State/Federal</u></b>			
Highway Block Grant	180,549	180,549	
Railroad Tax			
Rooms & Meals Tax	279,156	279,156	
Water Pollution Grants	15,436	15,436	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	37,750	43,308	5,558
State & Forest Land Reimbursement	144	144	
Other State/Federal Revenue	10,000	12,148	2,148
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>\$ 523,035</u>	<u>\$ 530,739</u>	<u>\$ 7,704</u>
<b><u>Charges for Services</u></b>			
Income from Departments	<u>746,956</u>	<u>756,849</u>	<u>9,893</u>
<b><u>Miscellaneous Revenues</u></b>			
Sale of Town Property		8,650	8,650
Interest on Investments	30,000	33,233	3,233
Insurance & Betterment Assessments	10,947	10,947	
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>\$ 40,947</u>	<u>\$ 52,830</u>	<u>\$ 11,883</u>
<b><u>Other Financing Sources</u></b>			
<b><u>Interfund Transfers</u></b>			
Special Revenue Fund	195,637	195,637	
Trust Funds			
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>\$ 195,637</u>	<u>\$ 195,637</u>	<u>\$</u>
<b><u>Voted from Unreserved Fund Balance</u></b>			
<b><u>Unreserved Fund Balance Used To</u></b>			
Reduce Tax Rate	<u>1,475,000</u>	<u>1,475,000</u>	
<b>Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources</b>			
<b>and Use of Fund Balance</b>	<u><u>\$ 29,336,496</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 29,373,316</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 36,820</u></u>

# Financial Statements

*Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)*

## Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures - General Fund

	2012 Encumbered	2013 Appropriation	2013 Expended	2013 Encumbered	Balance (Overdrafts)
<b><u>General Government</u></b>					
Executive Office	\$	\$ 244,482	\$ 242,245	\$ -	\$ 2,237
Executive - Municipal Administration	58,683	621,053	627,640	59,018	(6,922)
Personnel Administration		102,702	80,801		21,901
Town Clerk	1,100	162,087	161,724	1,100	363
Administrative Services	13,664	416,486	414,081	12,673	3,396
Assessor		268,063	264,517		3,546
Tax Collector		93,321	47,328		45,993
Community Development	7,530	512,425	434,848		85,107
Regional Associations		232,072	232,072		
<b><u>Public Safety</u></b>					
Police	4,793	1,863,971	1,951,364	4,796	(87,396)
Ambulance		280,381	281,719		(1,338)
Fire	13,760	359,848	360,383	16,163	(2,938)
<b><u>Public Works</u></b>					
Solid Waste Disposal	1,350	825,727	784,190		42,887
Building & Grounds		303,515	300,623	1,200	1,692
Cemetery		92,783	92,166		617
Highway Department	94,105	2,568,716	2,474,438	54,222	134,163
<b><u>Water Distribution</u></b>					
Hydrant Rental		69,000	69,000		
<b><u>Welfare</u></b>					
General Assistance		150,000	99,654		50,346
<b><u>Culture and Recreation</u></b>					
Parks and Recreation	21,457	704,020	698,042	14,120	13,314
Library	12,725	519,957	519,957	33,723	(20,998)
<b><u>Debt Service</u></b>					
Principal - Long-Term Debt		935,722	935,722		
Interest - Long-Term Debt		243,153	256,016		(12,863)
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes		10,000			10,000
<b><u>Intergovernmental</u></b>					
School Appropriation		10,022,861	10,022,861		
County Appropriation		2,624,780	2,624,780		
<b><u>Other Financing Uses - Interfund Transfers</u></b>					
Conservation Commission	8,021	1,515	1,515	6,328	1,693
Capital Projects	96,539			40,831	55,708
Expendable Trust Funds		525,000	525,000		
<b><u>Total Appropriations, Expenditures, and Encumbrances</u></b>	<b>\$ 333,726</b>	<b>\$ 24,753,640</b>	<b>\$ 24,502,686</b>	<b>\$ 244,174</b>	<b>\$ 340,506</b>

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance General Fund

### Fiscal Year 2013

#### Unreserved - Undesignated

Fund Balance - January 1 \$ 3,620,200

#### Deductions

Amount used to reduce 2013 Taxes (1,475,000)

#### Additions:

Revenue Surplus \$ 36,820

Unexpended Appropriations 340,506 377,326

#### Unreserved - Undesignated

Fund Balance - December 31 (Unaudited) \$ 2,522,526

### Fiscal Year 2013 - Worksheet

#### Unreserved - Undesignated

Fund Balance - January 1, 2014 (Unaudited) \$ 2,522,526

#### Deductions - Proposed)

Amount to be used to reduce 2014 taxes (1,000,000)

#### Unreserved - Undesignated

Fund Balance - December 31, 2013 (Unaudited) \$ 1,522,526

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Treasurer's Account Summary

2013

### Reconciliation of Pooled Cash

<u>Fund Number</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Cash Balance</u>
1	General	\$ 9,155,018.01
2	Water	572,568.03
3	Sewer	902,166.56
5	Conservation Commission	180,253.58
7	Cable Franchise	465,755.68
10	Community Center	7,230.29
15	Landfill	53,099.62
16	Boat Launch	45,700.00
17	Engineering	146,569.42
Subtotal of Other Fund Cash Accounts		\$ 2,373,343.18
Total Cash		\$ 11,528,361.19

### Proof

MVSB Payroll	\$	
MVSB Accounts Payable		
MVSB Operating		11,047,990.45
MVSB Debit Cards		15,000.00
MVSB Baby Bicentennial		89.08
MVSB Engineering		146,569.42
MVSB Cloud		
Petty Cash		830.00
Centrix - Lock Box		317,882.24
Total	\$	11,528,361.19
Pooled Cash Adjustments		(2,373,343.18)
General Fund Cash Excluding Restricted	\$	9,155,018.01

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Treasurer's Account Summary

### General Fund - Operating

Balance 01/01/2013	\$ 9,062,774.90	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	<u>92,243.11</u>	
Balance 12/31/2013		\$ <u>9,155,018.01</u>

### Water Department

Balance 01/01/2013	\$ 291,991.95	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	<u>280,576.08</u>	
Balance 12/31/2013		\$ <u>572,568.03</u>

### Sewer Department

Balance 01/01/2013	\$ 583,887.27	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	<u>318,279.29</u>	
Balance 12/31/2013		\$ <u>902,166.56</u>

### Conservation Commission

Balance 01/01/2013	\$ 160,629.59	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	<u>19,623.99</u>	
Balance 12/31/2013		\$ <u>180,253.58</u>

### Cable Franchise

Balance 01/01/2013	\$ 458,362.89	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	<u>9,392.79</u>	
Balance 12/31/2013		\$ <u>467,755.68</u>

# Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013 (Unaudited)

## Treasurer's Account Summary

### Community Center

Balance 01/01/2013	\$ 7,230.29	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	<u>                    </u>	
Balance 12/31/2013		\$ <u>7,230.29</u>

### Landfill Closure

Balance 01/01/2013	\$ 61,652.84	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	<u>(8,553.22)</u>	
Balance 12/31/2013		\$ <u>53,099.62</u>

### Special Revenue Fund - Boat Launch

Balance 01/01/2013	\$ 38,790.00	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	<u>6,910.00</u>	
Balance 12/31/2013		\$ <u>45,700.00</u>

### Engineering Escrow

Balance 01/01/2013	\$ 151,800.29	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	<u>(5,230.87)</u>	
Balance 12/31/2013		\$ <u>146,569.42</u>

Balance All Funds 12/31/2013		\$ <u>11,528,361.19</u>
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## *Tax Information*

### Tax Collector's Summary of Warrants

<u>Debits</u>	<u>2013 Levy</u>	<u>2012 Levy</u>	<u>2011 Levy</u>
<b>Uncollected Taxes 1-1-13</b>			
Property Taxes	\$	\$ 1,214,159.51	\$
Yield Taxes		776.45	9,251.85
Betterment Assessments		6,640.46	
Land Use Change Taxes		1,300.00	
Water Rents		38,277.75	
Sewer Rents		50,112.03	
<b>Taxes Committed to Collector</b>			
Property Taxes	24,860,413.21		
Yield Taxes	514.33	3,800.53	
Betterment Assessments	10,946.98		
Land Use Change Taxes	20,770.00		
Water Rents	516,829.07	156,216.84	
Sewer Rents	747,174.54	227,472.97	
<b>Refunds for Overpayments</b>			
Property Taxes	14,636.56	1,616.04	
Betterment Assessments	37.96		
<b>Interest</b>	14,092.07	71,689.12	1,430.67
<b>Total Debits</b>	<u>\$ 26,185,414.72</u>	<u>\$ 1,772,061.70</u>	<u>\$ 10,682.52</u>
<b><u>Credits</u></b>			
<b>Remitted to Treasurer</b>			
Property Taxes	\$ 23,677,752.16	\$ 1,215,759.11	
Yield Taxes	514.33	4,576.98	9,251.85
Betterment Assessments	5,990.20	6,640.46	
Land Use Change Taxes	20,770.00	1,300.00	
Water Rents	476,456.07	194,467.98	
Sewer Rents	690,031.95	277,541.39	
Interest	14,092.07	71,689.12	1,430.67
<b>Abatements</b>			
Property Taxes	9,040.51	16.44	
Water Rents	20.88	26.61	
Sewer Rents	1,188.58	43.61	
<b>Uncollected Taxes 12-31-12</b>			
Property Taxes	1,188,257.10		
Yield Taxes			
Betterment Assessments	4,994.74		
Land Use Change Taxes			
Water Rents	40,352.12		
Sewer Rents	55,954.01		
<b>Total Credits</b>	<u>\$ 26,185,414.72</u>	<u>\$ 1,772,061.70</u>	<u>\$ 10,682.52</u>

## Tax Information

### Tax Collector's Summary of Tax Liens

<u>Debits</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>Prior</u>
<b>Unredeemed Liens 1-1-13</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
Liens Executed During 2013	541,400.47	351,606.28	169,068.61	9,611.88
Interest & Costs after Lien	6,284.58	28,778.74	66,871.10	2,134.60
<b>Total Debits</b>	<u>\$ 547,685.05</u>	<u>\$ 380,385.02</u>	<u>\$ 235,939.71</u>	<u>\$ 11,746.48</u>
<b><u>Credits</u></b>				
<b>Remitted to Treasurer</b>				
Redemptions	\$ 130,274.43	\$ 149,570.45	\$ 160,404.84	\$ 3,119.76
Interest & Costs after Lien	6,284.58	28,778.74	66,871.10	2,134.60
Abatements of ...				
Unredeemed Taxes	5,062.85	971.89	1,230.95	2,703.38
Liens Deeded to the Town				
Unredeemed Liens	406,063.19	201,063.94	7,432.82	3,788.74
<b>Total Credits</b>	<u>\$ 547,685.05</u>	<u>\$ 380,385.02</u>	<u>\$ 235,939.71</u>	<u>\$ 11,746.48</u>

### Tax Collector's Report

It has been another great year in the Tax Collector's Office. During the times that I have been in school, Kerri Parker and Donna Turner have been assisting you in the Town Clerks' office. They will continue to serve you whenever I am out of the office. I will continue to serve you on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays while working towards my Bachelor of Science in Nursing.



Vikki Fogg

The Town of Meredith began accepting on-line payments for property taxes, utility bills, and automobile renewal registrations on December 1, 2013. Visit our website [www.meredithnh.org](http://www.meredithnh.org) and click on the payment link on the Home Page. Discover, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, debit cards, and personal checks will be accepted on the payment site. Debit and credit cards will not be accepted at the municipal offices at this time.

When you make payments through on-line banking, please use our 41 Main St, Meredith, NH 03253 address. When you mail payments to our PO Box in Manchester, please enclose the bottom portion of property tax and water/sewer bills. Payments cannot be processed without the bottom portion of the bills. The envelopes that are enclosed with those bills are for taxes and water/sewer only. Please do not enclose other correspondence, other Town bills, or automobile registrations. Centrix Bank is unable to process anything other than taxes and utility bills.

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to the residents, taxpayers, and businesses of the Town of Meredith. You make my job enjoyable. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of assistance to you or stop in to see me. My direct number is (603) 677-4202 and Kerri Parker's number is (603) 677-4203.

Vikki Fogg, Deputy Tax Collector

## Tax Information

### Department of Revenue Administration - 2013 Tax Rate

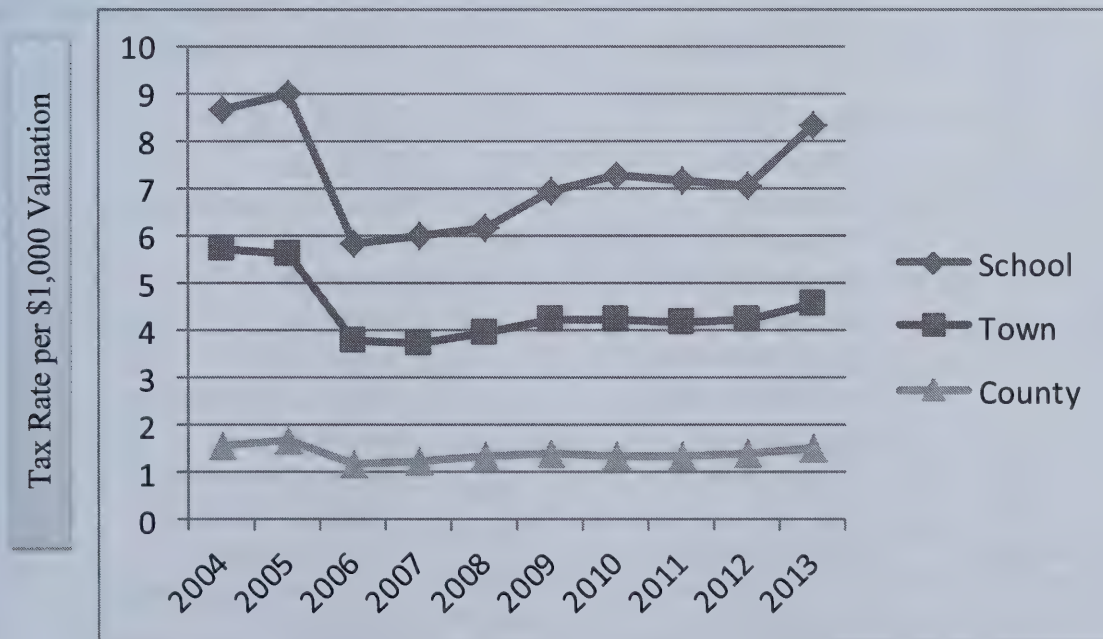
		2013 Tax Rates per \$1,000 Valuation	
Appropriations	\$ 13,627,664		
Less: Revenues	(6,001,654)		
Less: Shared Revenues	(0)		
Add: Overlay	84,437		
War Service Credits	<u>224,750</u>		
Approved Town Tax Effort		7,935,197	
<b>Municipal Tax Rate</b>			<b>\$ <u>4.55</u></b>
Due to Regional School	14,758,874		
Less: Cost of Adequate Education	(248,981)		
Less: State Education Taxes	<u>(4,487,032)</u>		
Approved School Tax Effort		10,022,861	\$ 5.76
State Education Taxes			
Equalized Valuation (No Utilities) X	2.435		
1,842,723,606		4,487,032	\$ 2.59
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (No Utilities)	1,733,918,813		
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State			
<b>School Tax Rate</b>			<b>\$ <u>8.35</u></b>
Due to County	2,624,780		
Less: Shared Revenue	<u>(0)</u>		
Approved County Tax Effort		2,624,780	
<b>County Tax Rate</b>			<b>\$ <u>1.51</u></b>
<b>Combined Tax Rate</b>			<b>\$ <u>14.41</u></b>
Total Property Taxes Assessed		25,069,870	
Less: War Service Credits		<u>(224,750)</u>	
Total Property Tax Commitment		<u>\$ 24,845,120</u>	
		<u>Tax Rate</u>	<u>Assessment</u>
Net Assessed Valuation	\$ 1,741,918,813	11.82	\$ 20,582,838
State Education Taxes	\$ 1,741,033,913	2.59	\$ 4,487,032
Proof of Rate			<u>\$ 25,069,870</u>

## Tax Information

### Ten Year Tax Rate Comparison

Year	School	Town	County	Combined Tax Rate	Net Valuation
2004	8.68	5.70	1.57	15.95	1,132,161,235
2005	9.00	5.59	1.66	16.25	1,162,607,162
2006	5.85	3.79	1.13	10.77	1,897,635,500
2007	6.01	3.70	1.20	10.91	1,918,269,293
2008	6.19	3.97	1.30	11.46	1,940,881,763
2009	6.94	4.23	1.37	12.54	1,820,649,639
2010	7.27	4.20	1.33	12.80	1,834,675,812
2011	7.17	4.16	1.32	12.65	1,845,422,650
2012	7.05	4.20	1.37	12.62	1,856,317,320
2013	8.35	4.55	1.51	14.41	1,741,033,913

Chart shows Ten Year's of Tax Rate Comparison's



## *Supplementary Information*

### Summary of Town-Owned Property - Conservation Recreation

<b>Map/Lot</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Use</b>
R08-014	1.60	Meredith Center Road	Childs Park
R08-015	0.88	151 Meredith Center Road	Childs Park
R13-005	3.25	Lake Wicwas/Mercier Drive	Peninsula
R13-006	3.20	Lake Wicwas	Dolloff Point Island
R13-007	5.50	Lake Wicwas	Big Pine Island
R14-001	305.58	Chemung Road	Hamlin Town Forest
R14-028	2.02	Chemung Road	Pickering Park
R14-029	1.00	113 Chemung Road	Wicwas Boat Launch, Pickering Park
R17-035	2.50	Chemung Road	Abuts Hamlin Town Forest
R17-036	5.06	Chemung Road	Abuts Hamlin Town Forest
R18-009A	188.00	Tucker Mountain Road	Conservation/Eames Forest
R21-008	12.00	Lake Pemigewasset	Waterfront - Wetlands/Loon Preserve
R22-007	23.34	Tucker Mountain Road	Town Forest
R22-013	31.04	Nedeau Road	Town Forest
R23-004	93.00	Off Carleton Road	Leighton Wildlife Sanctuary
R31-020	37.80	Carleton Road	Dockham Town Forest
R32-001	49.40	Hermit Woods Road	Town Forest
R32-011	63.00	Carleton Road	Leighton Wildlife Sanctuary
S02-005	3.03	Beattie Road	Former Tree Nursery
S03-006	187.70	Quarry Road	Page Pond & Forest / Conservation
S04-001	188.34	Off Blueberry Hill Road	Page Pond & Forest / Conservation
S04-003	20.66	Off Blueberry Hill Road	Page Pond & Forest / Conservation
S04-006	170.00	Off Blueberry Hill Road	Page Pond & Forest / Conservation
S22-020	13.01	Parade Road	Waukegan Highlands Park / Reservoir
S22-022	178.10	75 Parade Road	Waukegan Highlands Community Park
U05-002	0.30	49 Waukegan Street	Boat Launch, Picnic Area
U06-031	7.90	12 Waukegan Avenue	Swasey Park
U06-060	0.32	65 Main Street	Community Park
U07-121	0.37	1 Pleasant Street	Scenic Park
U07-123	0.13	9 NH Route 25	Scenic Park, Indian Island
U07-126	0.83	309 Daniel Webster Hwy	Hesky Park
U07-127	0.92	Daniel Webster Hwy	Hesky Park
U10-031	12.87	367 Daniel Webster Hwy	Prescott Park
U10-033	0.32	Daniel Webster Hwy	Prescott Park
U10-035	1.16	Daniel Webster Hwy	Wetlands, Hawkins Brook
U11-047	.63	Greemore Road	Recreation
U11-050A	1.95	Greemore Road	Wetlands, Hawkins Brook
U11-050B	1.00	Circle Drive	Community Center Park
U12-015	189.00	Jenness Hill Road	Community Forest
U14-001	21.74	363 Daniel Webster Hwy	Prescott Park (New Fields)
U15-019A	0.12	1 Pleasant Street	Clough Park
U39-058	28.01	50 Leavitt Park Road	Leavitt Park Beach, Bathhouse, Bartlett Brook

## *Supplementary Information*

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### Summary of Town-Owned Property - Facilities

<b>Map/Lot</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Use</b>
I02-021	0.07	1 Bear Island	Post Office, Dock
R08-047	0.29	Meredith Center Road	Fire Station
R08-048	0.92	101 Meredith Center Road	Fire Station
S15-008	28.80	400 Daniel Webster Hwy	Police Station
S15-008		11 Jenness Hill Road	Public Works Garage
S15-008		17 Jenness Hill Road	Solid Waste / Recycling Center
S17-007A	0.00	22 Sunset Hill Road	Water Tower
S17-018R-001	0.00	132 Upper Mile Point Drive	Booster Station
S23-021	0.36	30 Reservoir Road	Pumping Station (Water Department)
U02-040	0.26	21 Lower Ladd Hill Road	Pumping Station (Water Department)
U03-028A	0.21	70 Waukegan Street	Sewer Pump Station
U03-028A		72 Waukegan Street	Bath House
U03-030	0.44	69 Waukegan Street	Waukegan Town Beach
U05-001A	0.07	Waukegan Street	Water Treatment Plant
U05-001B	0.51	50 Waukegan Street	Water Treatment Plant
U06-037	0.17	High Street	Parking Lot
U06-038	0.26	7 High Street	Parking Lot
U06-059	0.57	91 Main Street	Library
U06-063	0.16	6 Water Street	Parking Lot
U06-112	0.51	286 Daniel Webster Hwy	Fire Station
U06-117C	0.27	Lang Street	Cemetery (historic)
U06-145	0.04	291 Daniel Webster Hwy	Town Docks
U07-043	0.14	5 Highland Street	Town Hall Annex
U07-044	0.15	41 Main Street	Town Hall
U07-086A	0.02	Daniel Webster Hwy	Utility Right-of-Way
U07-088	0.36	326 Daniel Webster Hwy	Parking Lot
U07-107	0.17	327 Daniel Webster Hwy	Sewer Pump Station
U07-108	0.92	323 Daniel Webster Hwy	Parking Lot
U10-017	0.29	17 Philbrook Avenue	Sewer Pump Station
U10-034	16.00	347 Daniel Webster Hwy	Public Works Office, Prime Wetlands
U11-050	3.68	1 Circle Drive	Community Center
U11-067	0.38	Kelly Lane	Fire Pond
U11-071	19.00	379 Daniel Webster Hwy	Meredith Village Cemetery
U12-004	0.23	Philbrook Avenue	Road Turnaround
U15-027	0.07	Morrison Avenue	Road Turnaround
U33-015A	1.55	57 Cattle Landing Road	Parking Lot, Right-of-Way
U33-025	0.41	58 Cattle Landing Road	Docks, Right-of-Way
U35-010	1.02	30 Lovejoy Sands Road	Boat Ramp, Docks, Parking Lot

## *Supplementary Information*

### Summary of Town-Owned Property - Vacant/Undesignated

<u>Map/Lot</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Use</u>
I07-006	0.43	Bear Island	
R08-033	1.90	Meredith Center Road	Wetland
R17-016	0.69	Chemung Road/Camp Waldron Road	
R35-003	13.00	Edgerly School Road	Landlocked
R37-012	1.70	NH Route 132	
S15-057	2.10	Off Boynton Road	
S18-055	0.27	Tracy Way	Adjacent to Right-of-Way
S22-027	0.53	Tracy Way/Parade Road	Intersection Sight Distance
U01-01A	0.27	Daniel Webster Hwy/Neal Shore Road	
U01-034	0.08	Neal Shore Road	Adjacent to Railroad Right-of-Way
U04-025	0.92	Waukewan Street	Monkey Pond
U10-027A	0.28	Daniel Webster Hwy	Water Line Loop
U16-005-018	.66	67 Barnard Ridge Road	
U19-031A	0.12	Pinnacle Park Road	Pinnacle Park Beach

### Summary of Town - Owned Property/Vehicles

2002-004	Pickup Truck 4X2	B & G	437-21
2000-006	F550 Dump Truck	B & G	437-48
2006-006	Truck with Plow	B & G	437-23
2012-002	Transit Van	B & G	437-22
2006-003	Yard Tractor/Truck	Solid Waste	436-51
1995-006	Pickup Truck	Parks & Rec.	441-24
2005-021	Minibus	Parks & Rec.	441
2006-010	Pickup Truck- 2004 F150	Parks & Rec.	441-25
2003-006	Crown Victoria	Assessing	4051
2005-005	Ford Ranger	Annex	4212
1976-001	Fire Truck	Public Works	1976-01
1999-008	Pickup Truck with Plow	Cemetery	438-21
2013-001	Ford F350 Pickup	Public Works	439-22
2007-001	Ford F350 Truck with Plow	Solid Waste	439-23
2001-009	Dump Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-43
2006-007	Ford F550	Public Works	439-45
2008-009	Ford Bucket Truck	Public Works	439-47
2013-002	Ford F350 Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-48

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Asset No.	Description	Location	Vehicle #
1999-009	Pickup Truck	Water	240-64
2002-005	Ford F350 Truck with Flatbed	Water	240-41
2004-011	Ford F150 Pickup Truck	Water	240-21
2004-013	Ford F578 Dump Truck	Water	340-41
2005-004	Ford Ranger	Water	240-22
2013-004	Ford Taurus	Police	430-03
2013-006	Ford Taurus	Police	430-04
2010-002	Crown Victoria	Police	430-01
2011-002	Crown Victoria	Police	430-07
2011-001	Crown Victoria	Police	430-02
2008-001	Expedition Cruiser	Police	430-06
2005-003	Chevy Tahoe	Police	430-08
2012-001	Dodge Charger	Police	430-05
1969-001	Kaiser	Fire	14F2/433-40
1983-003	Fire Truck	Fire	14E4/433-65
1986-003	Van	Fire	14R1/433-41
1988-013	Tanker	Fire	14T5/433-66
1994-011	Pumper	Fire	14E3/433-62
1995-005	Pickup Truck	Fire	14F1/433-69
2000-008	Pumper	Fire	14E1/433-23
2013-007	Ford Expedition	Fire	14C1/433-01
2007-005	Pierce Fire Truck	Fire	14E2/433-63
2009-006	Pierce Fire Truck with Ladder	Fire	14TW1/433-70
1998-004	Dump with Plow 6 Wheel	Public Works	439-53
2012-007	Ford F350 Pickup	Public Works	439-21
2003-010	Dump Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-54
2004-012	Dump Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-55
2000-007	Dump with Plow 6 Wheel	Public Works	439-57
2007-009	Kenworth C500	Public Works	439-58
2012-005	Kenworth T800	Public Works	439-52

## *Supplementary Information*

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### Summary Inventory of Valuation - All Properties

*For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013*

#### Value of Land Only

Current Use	\$ 695,994
Residential	821,282,232
Commercial / Industrial	<u>52,559,368</u>
Total Value of Land	\$ 874,537,594

#### Value of Buildings Only

Residential	\$ 750,923,187
Manufactured Housing	7,544,800
Commercial / Industrial	<u>103,748,513</u>
Total Value of Buildings	\$ 862,216,500

#### Public Utilities

Electric	\$ 7,115,100
Total Valuation Before Exemptions	<u>\$ 1,743,869,194</u>

#### Exemptions

Blind	\$ 109,700
Elderly	1,533,500
Totally & Permanently Disabled	932,500
Solar / Wind Power	<u>259,581</u>
Total Exemptions	<u>\$ 2,835,281</u>
Net Taxable Valuation	<u><u>\$ 1,741,033,913</u></u>

# *Town Warrant Information*

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## 2014 Meredith Town Warrant

State of New Hampshire

### **TO THE INHABITANTS OF MEREDITH QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Meredith Community Center, 1 Circle Drive, in said Town on the second Tuesday of March next March 11, 2014, from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM for the casting of ballots to act upon Articles 1 through 4; and 7:00 PM Wednesday, March 12, 2014, at the Inter-Lakes Junior/Senior High School Gymnasium, 1 Laker Lane, in said Town to act on Articles 5 through 13.

### **BALLOT ARTICLES TO BE ACTED UPON:**

#### **ARTICLE 1**

To bring your ballots for:

Moderator	One (1)	For Two	(2) Years
Selectman	One (1)	For Three	(3) Years
Supervisor of the Checklist	One (1)	For Six	(6) Years
Town Clerk	One (1)	For Three	(3) Years
Treasurer	One (1)	For Three	(3) Years
Trustee of Trust Funds	One (1)	For Three	(3) Years
Library Trustee	Two (2)	For Three	(3) Years

#### **ARTICLE 2**

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:

Amend Article V, Section D, District Objectives and Land Use Controls, Minimum Lot Size to eliminate duplex from the minimum density requirement in order to be consistent with the Special Exception Criteria for duplexes?

#### **ARTICLE 3**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:

Amend Article IV, Nonconforming Uses, Structures and Lots, to clarify that non-conforming uses shall not be treated as abandoned if there is evidence of intent not to abandon the use?

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### **ARTICLE 4**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:

Amend Article VII, Section A - Special Exception and C - Variance to change the one year expiration to a two year expiration period to be consistent with RSA 674:33, IV?

### **ARTICLE 5**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows:

Amend Article V, Section D-5 — Business and Industry District to update the General Purpose so that it accurately reflects the current condition and direction of the district as well as update the table of uses; and amend Article VIII Definitions for the purpose of adding or revising land use definitions that are or will be included in the business and industry district?

### **DELIBERATIVE SESSION**

### **ARTICLE 6**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Million, Nine Hundred Thirty Two Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$ 12,932,815) for the necessary operational expenses of the Town for the ensuing year's budget. This amount does not include all of the amounts raised and appropriated in subsequent warrant articles.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

### **ARTICLE 7**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for various road improvements within the Town of Meredith; funding shall be from the State Aid Reconstruction Grant Reserve. The Select Board are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

### **ARTICLE 8**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) to be added to the Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Expendable Trust previously established. The Select Board are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

### **ARTICLE 9**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000) to be added to the DPW Equipment Replacement Fund previously established. The Select Board are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

# *Town Warrant Information*

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## **DELIBERATIVE SESSION**

### **ARTICLE 10**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Two Thousand dollars (\$62,000) for the cable television public access fees and equipment replacement expenses and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of the amount from the Cable Franchise Fee Special Revenue Fund.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

### **ARTICLE 11**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) for the purpose of conducting a feasibility study for a new facility at the current DPW Highway Building location. The feasibility study will involve many considerations including building design and location, storm water management, utilities and the replacement of the vehicle fueling station. The Select Board are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

### **ARTICLE 12**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Nine Dollars (\$177,859.00) for the purpose of renovation to the exterior of the Meredith Public Library. The Select Board are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

### **ARTICLE 13**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to help cover and support some of the costs for the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration for Meredith in 2018.

(Petitioned by 25 or more Registered Voters)  
(Board of Selectmen make No Recommendation)

## **Meredith Board of Selectmen**

Nathan J. Torr, Chairperson  
Carla Horne, Vice Chairperson  
Peter F. Brothers, Selectperson  
Herbert R. Vadney, Selectperson  
Louis Kahn, Selectperson

## Budget Information

### 2014 Meredith Budget - Revenues

	2013	2013	2014
	Estimated	Actual	Recommended
<u>Taxes</u>			Estimated
Yield	\$ 3,800	\$ 4,315	\$ 1,250
Boat	30,000	31,167	35,000
Land Use Change Tax			
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	189,450	191,731	165,550
Total Taxes	\$ 223,250	\$ 227,214	\$ 201,800
 <u>Licenses and Permits</u>			
Motor Vehicle Permits	1,200,000	1,199,774	1,200,000
Building Permits	41,200	41,980	41,200
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	63,450	66,273	63,450
Total Licenses and Permits	\$ 1,304,650	\$ 1,308,027	\$ 1,304,650
 <u>Intergovernmental Revenues</u>			
<u>State</u>			
Highway Block Grant	180,549	180,549	181,274
Railroad Tax			
Rooms & Meals Tax	279,156	279,156	279,156
Water Pollution Grants	15,436	15,436	15,436
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	37,750	43,308	43,000
State & Forest Land Reimbursement	144	144	144
Other State/Federal Revenue	10,000	12,148	77,000
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 523,035	\$ 530,740	\$ 596,009
 <u>Charges for Services</u>			
Income from Departments	746,956	756,849	659,806
 <u>Miscellaneous Revenues</u>			
Sale of Town Property		8,650	
Interest on Investments	30,000	33,233	30,000
Insurance & Betterment Assessments	10,947	10,947	3,031
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 40,947	\$ 52,830	\$ 33,031
 <u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
<u>Interfund Transfers</u>			
Special Revenue Fund	195,637	195,637	214,537
Capital Projects Fund			250,000
Trust Funds			
Total Other Financing Sources	\$ 195,637	\$ 195,637	\$ 464,537
 <b>Total Revenues &amp; Other Financing Sources</b>	<b>3,034,475</b>	<b>3,071,296</b>	<b>3,259,832</b>
<b>Voted from Unreserved Fund Balance</b>			
<b>Unreserved Fund Balance Used To</b>			
Reduce Tax Rate	1,475,000	1,475,000	1,000,000
<b>Total Revenues, Other Financial Sources</b>			
<b>and Use of Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$ 4,509,475</b>	<b>\$ 4,546,296</b>	<b>\$ 4,259,832</b>
 <u>Special Revenue Funds</u>			
Sewer	893,988	598,191	882,508
Water	598,191	893,988	716,311
 <b>Grand Total All Funds</b>	<b>\$ 6,001,654</b>	<b>\$ 6,038,475</b>	<b>\$ 5,858,651</b>

## Budget Information

### 2014 Meredith Budget - Appropriations

	2013 <u>Appropriations</u>	2013 <u>Expended</u>	2014 <u>Recommended</u>
<b><u>General Government</u></b>			
Executive Office	\$ 244,482	\$ 242,245	\$ 252,793
Executive - Municipal Administration	690,053	696,640	653,893
Public Health - Ambulance	280,381	281,719	287,271
Personnel Administration	102,702	80,801	79,540
Town Clerk	162,087	161,724	172,016
Administrative Services	416,486	414,081	435,962
General Assistance	150,000	99,654	140,000
Assessor's Office	268,063	264,517	279,633
Tax Collector's Office	93,321	47,328	74,121
Community Development Department	512,425	434,848	505,618
CIP - Expendable Trust Funds	525,000	525,000	375,000
CIP & Non-CIP - Capital Projects			277,859
Regional Association	232,072	232,072	237,185
<b><u>Public Safety</u></b>			
Police	1,863,971	1,951,364	1,938,164
Fire	359,848	360,383	371,760
Lakes Region Mutual Aid			80,208
<b><u>Public Works</u></b>			
Solid Waste Facility	825,727	784,190	789,363
Building & Grounds	303,515	300,623	345,060
Cemetery	92,783	92,166	94,957
Highway Department	2,568,716	2,462,027	2,574,013
<b><u>Culture and Recreation</u></b>			
Parks and Recreation	704,020	698,042	719,111
Library	519,957	519,957	516,410
<b><u>Debt Service</u></b>			
Principal - Long-Term Debt	935,722	935,772	818,990
Interest - Long-Term Debt	243,153	256,016	211,413
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes	10,000		10,000
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<u>\$ 12,104,486</u>	<u>\$ 11,841,166</u>	<u>\$ 12,240,340</u>
<b><u>Conservation Commission</u></b>	1,515	1,515	1,515
<b><u>Water Fund</u></b>	591,191	640,756	716,311
<b><u>Sewer Fund</u></b>	<u>892,813</u>	<u>770,427</u>	<u>882,508</u>
<b>Total Operating Budget All Funds</b>	<u>\$ 13,590,004</u>	<u>\$ 13,253,864</u>	<u>\$ 13,840,674</u>
<b><u>Special Revenue Fund</u></b>			
Cable Franchise Fee	<u>\$ 37,660</u>	<u>\$ 33,294</u>	<u>\$ 62,000</u>
<b>Grand Total - Municipal Budget</b>	<u><u>\$ 13,627,664</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 13,287,158</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 13,902,674</u></u>

## 2014 Municipal Tax Rate Projection

*Town of Meredith*

# Municipal Directory

## Fire - Business

Located at Meredith Central Fire Station  
286 Daniel Webster Highway  
Mailing Address - PO Box 494,  
Meredith, NH 03253  
[kjones@meredithnh.org](mailto:kjones@meredithnh.org)  
Hours 8:00 am - 5:00 pm M - F  
Phone #279-6061 Fax #279-0004

## Meredith Public Library

Located at 91 Main Street  
Mailing Address - PO Box 808,  
Meredith, NH 03253  
[erin@meredithlibrary.org](mailto:erin@meredithlibrary.org)  
Hours 9:00 am - 8:00 pm Tu, W & Th  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm F  
9:00 am - 2:00 pm Sat  
Closed Monday & Sunday  
Phone #279-4303 Fax #279-5352

## Parks & Recreation Community Center

Located at 1 Circle Drive  
Mailing Address - One Circle Drive,  
Meredith, NH 03253  
[vchoiniere@meredithnh.org](mailto:vchoiniere@meredithnh.org)  
Hours 8:00 am - 8:00 pm M - F  
9:00 am - 1:00 pm Sat  
Closed Sunday  
Phone #279-8197 Fax #556-8821

## Police - Business

Located at 400 Daniel Webster Highway  
Mailing Address - PO Box 1366,  
Meredith, NH 03253  
[kmorrow@meredithnh.org](mailto:kmorrow@meredithnh.org)  
Hours 8:00 am - 12:00 am daily  
Phone #279-4561 Fax #279-6636

## Public Works - Business

Located at 347 Daniel Webster Highway  
Mailing Address - 41 Main Street,  
Meredith, NH 03253  
[mfaller@meredithnh.org](mailto:mfaller@meredithnh.org)  
Hours 8:00 am - 5:00 pm M - F  
Phone #279-6352 Fax #279-4656  
Includes...  
Buildings & Grounds  
Cemetery  
Highway  
Solid Waste

## Solid Waste Facility

Located at 17 Jenness Hill Road  
Mailing Address - 41 Main Street,  
Meredith, NH 03253  
Hours 8:00 am - 3:00 pm daily  
Closed Wednesdays and Holidays  
Phone #279-8480

## Town Hall

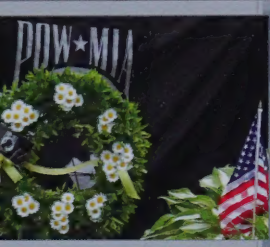
Located at 41 Main Street  
Mailing Address - 41 Main Street,  
Meredith, NH 03253  
Hours 8:00 am - 5:00 pm M - F  
Includes...  
Administrative Services  
[blvittner@meredithnh.org](mailto:blvittner@meredithnh.org)  
Phone #677-4208 Fax #556-8815  
Assessing  
[jcommerford@meredithnh.org](mailto:jcommerford@meredithnh.org)  
Phone #677-4213 Fax #556-8818  
Tax Collector  
[vfogg@meredithnh.org](mailto:vfogg@meredithnh.org)  
Phone #677-4202 Fax #556-8815  
Town Clerk  
[kparker@meredithnh.org](mailto:kparker@meredithnh.org)  
Phone #677-4203 Fax #279-1042  
Town Manager  
[pwarren@meredithnh.org](mailto:pwarren@meredithnh.org)  
Phone #677-4205 Fax #556-8819

## Town Hall Annex

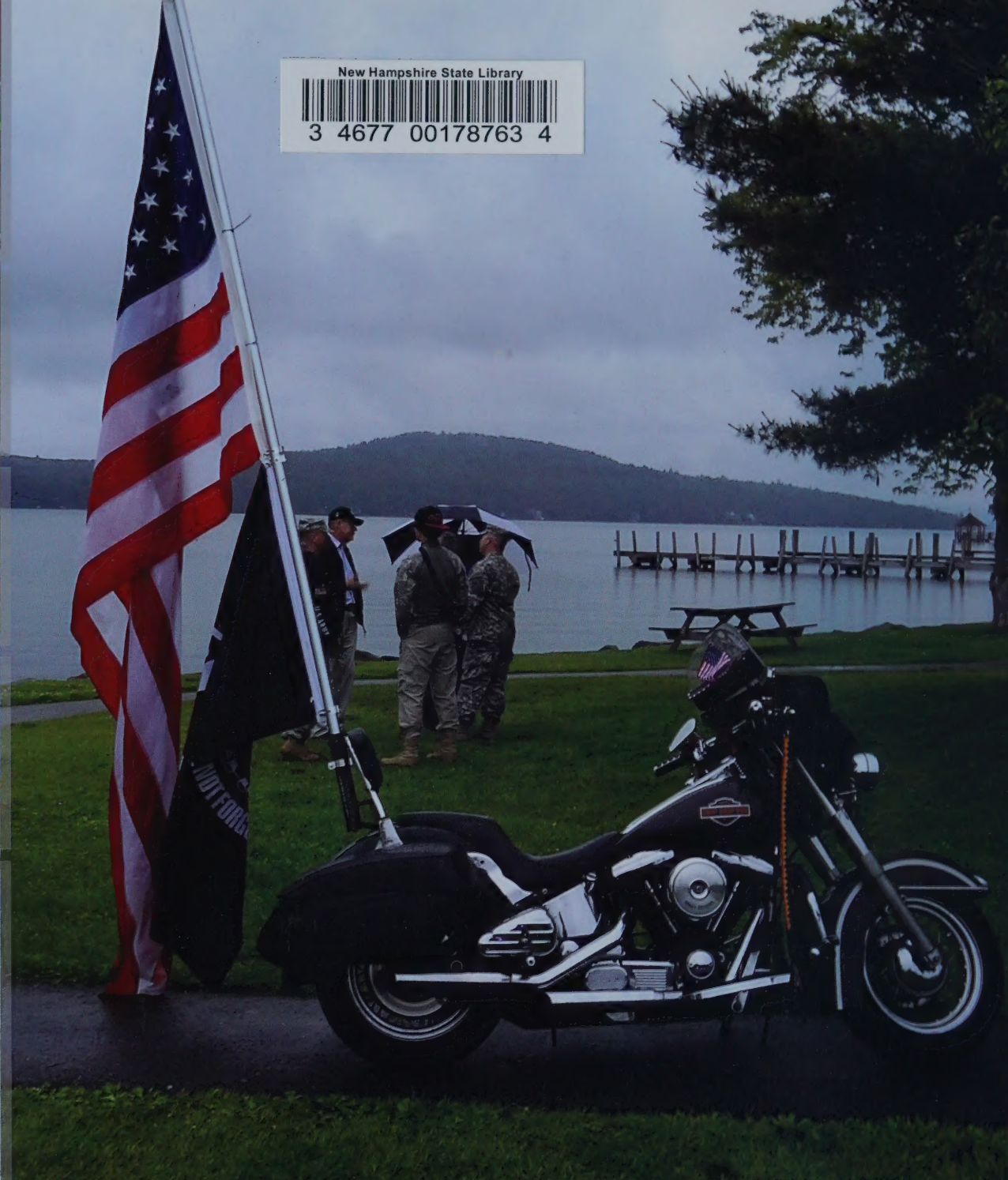
Located at 5 Highland Street  
Mailing Address - 41 Main Street,  
Meredith, NH 03253  
Phone #677-4215 Fax #556-8823  
Hours 8:00 am - 5:00 pm M - F  
Includes...  
Community Development  
[jedgar@meredithnh.org](mailto:jedgar@meredithnh.org)  
Conservation Commission  
[conservation@meredithnh.org](mailto:conservation@meredithnh.org)  
Planning Board

## Water & Sewer

Located at 50 Waukewan Street  
Mailing Address - 41 Main Street,  
Meredith, NH 03253  
[dleonard@meredithnh.org](mailto:dleonard@meredithnh.org)  
Hours 7:00 am - 3:30 pm M - F  
Phone #279-3046 Fax #556-8822



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